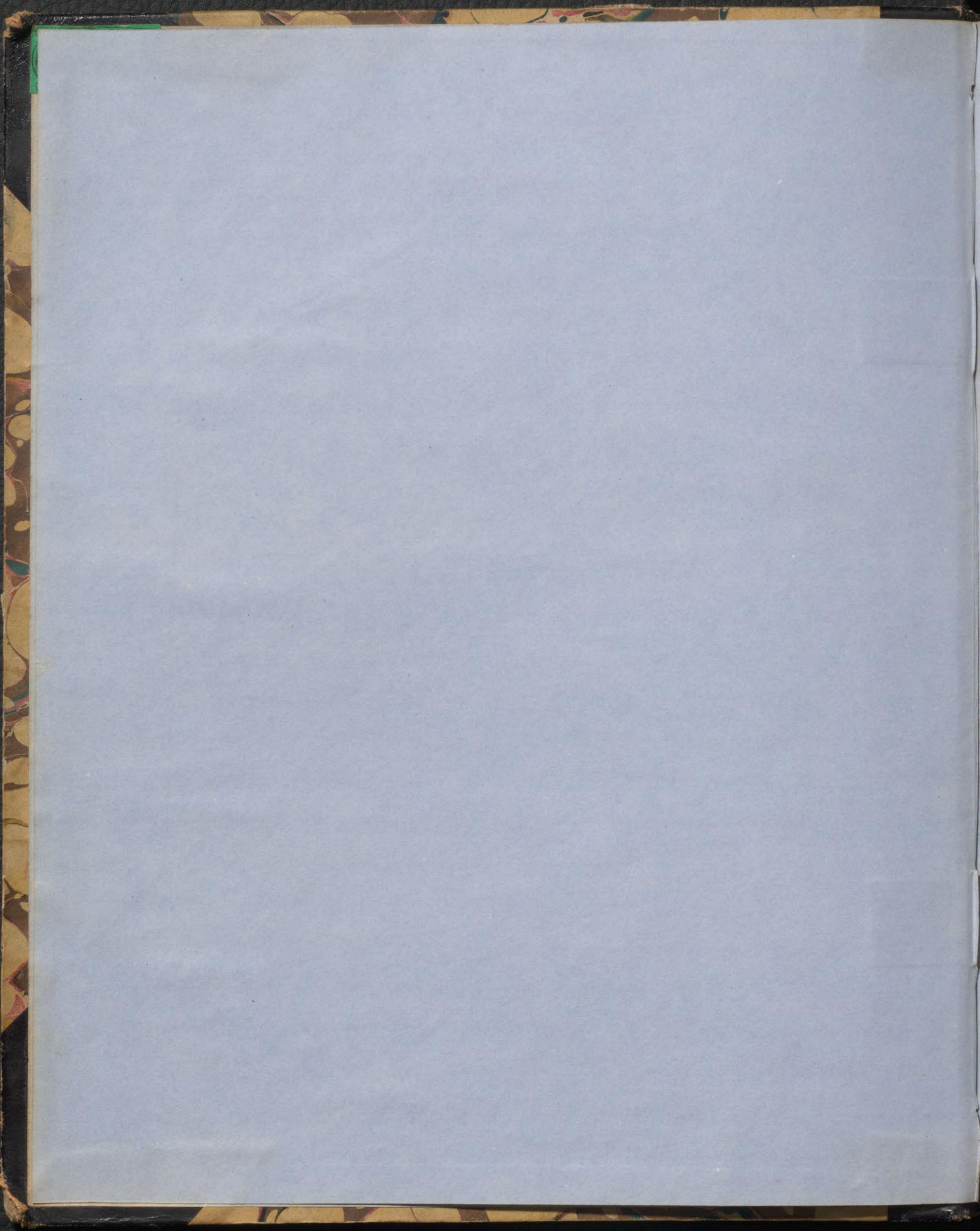


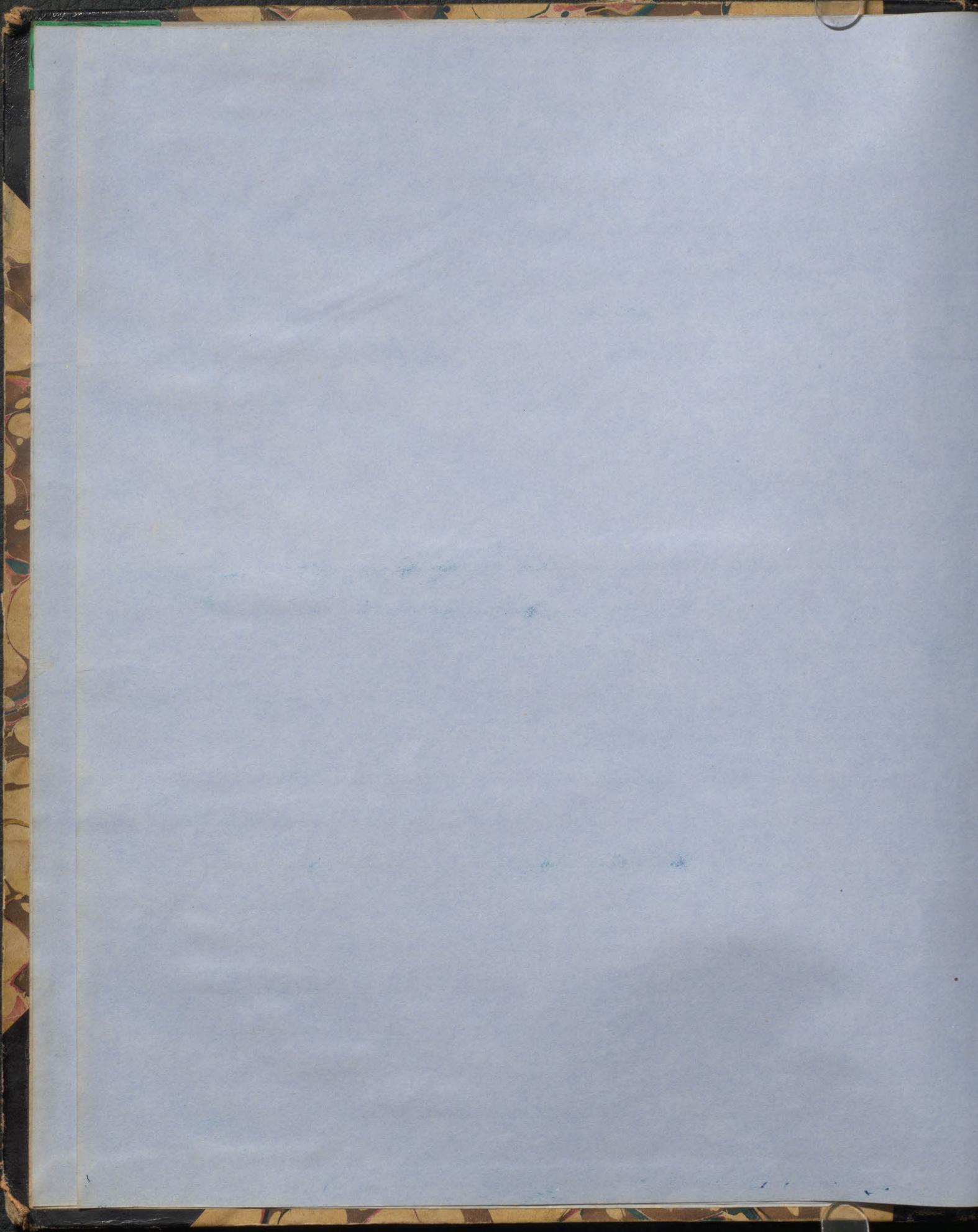
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19th November. The weather damp & disagreeable — left town at 2 o'clock P.M. to return home — my little Nieces come to spend a week with us, anxious to their leaving for England — found my carriage awaiting me at the station — I am quite unwell — Henry came to accompany me home — found all the family well — my dear children overjoyed to see me —

20th November. Sunday — quite indisposed, I am deprived of going to church — I cough a great deal — still better, still not well enough to go out — my dear children are well — the weather, damp and gloomy — rain in the afternoon —

21st November Monday — ^{I am} no better, continue, ill a feverish — weather cloudy — quite an open season — Mamma so happy to have her dear grand children with her — Henry continues much the same —

22nd November Tuesday. I continue to cough — the weather damp — fair in the afternoon — roads very bad. Henry attached to ~~London~~ ^{the longest time} ~~London~~ ^{all night} ~~London~~ and return to town

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25th Novth Wednesday. Wustant cloudy weather - a little snow in the morning - Mr. Le Lure went to town this morning, by the stage - it is cold - received a note from my friend - she is so grieved, to hear of my illness - my cough fatigues me - Francois has a cold - obliged to keep the house - Harris has not yet been out -

24th Novth Thursday. Snow this morning - quite a prodice - it is much needed - there are no roads - the children have had much fun, they made de la time - enjoyed themselves exceedingly - I am no better - pain in my side, in my chest - how will all this end? - very cold - to night - four weeks to day, Harris ^{had not been} ~~he went to the mill~~ out & he is still weak from his attack of the gout.

25th Novth Friday. Fine clear weather, cold Mr. Le Lure returned from Town, this evening by the stage - brings me a note from my friend - she is busy packing, preparing to leave for England. I sometimes suffer - I fancy, I must see the Dr - James still complains of his limbago - ~~He has~~ ^{continues to go out very} weak ~~and~~ ^{not} well enough to go out

26th October Saturday. The Weather beautiful and fair to-day —
last evening Mr Lashins came by the Stage —
this morning after breakfast, we parted with
Dear Louise and Fanny, they left by the Stage
Mr Lashins returned with them. Zoe, went to take
care of them — it was a very trying moment
to my poor Mother, to part, with those dear
children — she kept saying — "What I had remaining
of my dear Sarah, is now gone" — she felt the
separation very painfully — but, still, not as
dreadfully, as I had anticipated — she, being very
anxious about the state of my health — and
again, she has such an unlimited confidence
in my good Friend, that she is convinced they
will be well & happy with her — I am glad
that, trying moment, is over — I am quite
upset ~~from~~ it — Dear Children God, grant they
may not be ill during their sea voyage —
Dr Whyte came to prescribe for me to-day —

27th October Sunday The weather fine & bright — I am very
weak — suffering from my chest — I still cough —
I took blue pill last night — to-night I
experienced a most dreadful weakness — to that
degree, that I was quite alarmed ~~at~~ it — my
poor Mother also, for my anxious, to see me

in that sad state - my good Nurse ~~then~~^{has} brought me round by all his petits soins -
I cannot rest at night - I feel perfectly worn
out - I hope - I may soon rally - ~~then~~^{she} went
to Mass to-day - for the first time since four weeks -
the Miller and Malliot crossed on the ice to-day -

28th Nov. Monday - The Weather continues beautiful
& bright for the season - our dear Friends
left Montreal this morning at six o'clock
en route for England - they will reach N. Y.
to-morrow - Dr Whyte came to-day, he found
me weak - prescribed lots of sweets, to bring
me round - they completed the green house
to-day - John, has taken over all his plants this
evening - they tell me, it is a nice little building
which, will answer the purpose, ^{for} keeping the
flowers in perfect order - it is cold to-night -

29th Nov. Tuesday - a continuance of fine Weather -
my sweet Caro, caught since a couple days -
she is pale & delicate - Hammer is not well -
I am better - although, still very weak -
the ground, is still covered with a little snow
the roads very bad - the grist mill continues
to be well employed - lots of water for it -
Loy returned to-night by the stage -

30th Wednesday. all last night, it blew a most fearful
 hurricane, wind from the south - this morning ^{at 3 o'clock}
rain, in torrents, which, melted away the snow -
 not a particle of it to be seen - the grass green,
 the wads awful - the Saw Mill, ~~stopped~~ for the season.
 the Sawyers & fillers all discharged - butchered, 21 pigs
 to-day - I continue to suffer from my chest -
 still weak - this morning ^{at 9 o'clock} our
 dear Friends left N. Y. in the Arabia for England -
 may they, have a safe, and quiet passage home -
 may our united prayers, be heard from above -
 God, grant them health and courage to get
 through their voyage - I long to hear from
 my dear Friend -

1st December Thursday - a fine bright sun -
 the wads frozen - the roads very bad - snow
 very much needed - Caro's cough is better -
Hippie & Aubin came to take Luncheon -
 returned in the afternoon - Mamma is not
 well - I am anxious - I am better - eat meat
 to-day for the first time since many weeks -
Henry continues to go about every day - he feels
 pretty well - old braving weather would suit him.

letter - the navigation, open, as in summer -

2^d Decr Friday - Weather damp - not cold - Henri went down to the Falls, in his waggon - found the roads awful - Caro went out a few moments - during a burst of the sun - I am better - hope to continue so - Mammie not so well to-day - I find her altered - Henri returned from the Falls just four o'clock P. M. - I was anxious, fearing he might take cold - not having gone that far for so long a time

3^d Decr Saturday. We are all rejoiced to see an appearance of snow - it is falling as yet, but slowly - we hope for sleighting to-morrow - Mammie is better so am I, thank Providence; there is a grand mass to-day, in honor of St. Francis Xavier - the women preparatory to the Feast of the Conception of Our M. commenced last Tuesday - the Weather is mild - John has done saltting the pork - he has made 10 barrels of it all James writes, he is not yet well enough, to come out to see us - received a kind note from his Vermont to enquire about my health -

4 December, Sunday. Quite disappointed, no snow - not even enough to cover the ground - the roads, hard disagreeable, the looks most dreadful - very cold, 12 degrees this morning - this afternoon the sun came out beautiful a bright -

I am much better - hopes, of a speedy recovery, my dear Card's cold, better, she went to Claude as usual - after vespers, practised her music on the organ - Henri, better, still a stiffness in his foot & knee - Marianne seems on the mend - Henri takes exercise on foot two or three a day - My dear son

Francis Willy, is thirteen years old to-day - Dear son, may he grow up, to be his Father, and my comfort - God, grant him health, and perseverance in his studies - may the Mother of God, ever watch over him - his guardian angel, never abandon him - dear boy, he is so pious - so good - may he always, feel that warmth of piety which kindles his innocent heart, of to-day - a beautiful sunset - a fine clear sky - very cold - appearance of fine weather for some days -

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Monday 5th Dec. The weather this bright & beautiful,
this afternoon, & cloudy - not cold - Henri went
to the Galls in the waggon - the roads very bad
Mammur is much better - Caro's cold
very much better - Henri yesterday took
a walk on the ice - I still feel weak -
I intend to walk out to-morrow -
there is a little snow on the ground - we
long for winter roads - to take a drive -
the grist mill goes admirably -

Tuesday 6th Dec. What an extraordinary change of
Weather, all day long - in the morning, it rained
snowed, drifted, in the afternoon, it hailled, and
in the Evening, it rained by torrents - a
strong wind from the South - finally, what
are we to have at last - I never had an
awful head-ache all day - my dear
children are well - Henri goes about as
usual - Mammur very much better -
we be live very kindly roads, to & of an
Evening - it makes time pass away very
pleasantly - Caro is busily occupied, knitting
a coat for her Brother -

Wednesday 4th Dec. The Weather cloudy all day —
now and then, a few particles of snow falling —
the Stage continues to pass on wheels —
no winter winds — the ground well frozen —
after Luncheon, I walked as far as the Church,
from thence I crossed the ice, went to visit
my green house, which, is a very well got
up affair as protein — I also, looked in at
the grist mill, the new stone goes very
nicely — lots of grist at the mill —
Henri, with a Caro accompanied me, in
this, my first excursion — since some
time — I am a little fatigued —
it is cold — appearance of snow —

Thursday 5th Dec. The weather has been truly beautiful
all day — fine & bright, a dry cold — I went
to High Mass to-day — I was so happy to be
able to attend Mass, after having been,
deprived of going out for so long a time —
my sweet Caro, played the organ very
nicely, and my dear son, act'd as Cicerone —
he acquitted himself admirably of his part —
the Altar, was beautifully decorated — the
Salut was very fine — no snow, no winter

wards — the ground is frozen very hard —
the ice above the Dam, is very strong —
after vespers there were upwards of
fifty children, skating — my dear Willy,
was of the number — he commenced
skating, this year, last Tuesday, for the
first time — the fields are quite bare —
not a particle of snow to be seen any-where —

Friday 9th Dec. perfectly beautiful weather, quite
September temperature — a beautiful, bright sun —
clear sky — a lovely day — I walked out with
pleasure — enjoyed my walk very much —
Especially, — my dear Caro a dear Willy had fine
skating this afternoon, I took great delight
in looking at them — Maurice he cure, also
skated — he skated very well indeed — my
Caro gets on admirably — she is very steady on
her skates — the ruts thawed to-day —
the ice opposite the Hill house is at least
five inches thick — fine glare ice —
a glorious sun set to-night — Maurice
took a short walk this afternoon — he returned quite
fatigued —

Saturday 10th Dec - a continuance of most delightful weather - quite a May day - a fine warm sun, a beautiful blue sky, not a cloud to be seen - a magnificent sun set, such a delicious temperature - so unusual, at this season - Willy & Laro again, enjoyed their skating on the glare ice - this afternoon - I took my accustomed walk, as far as church - I found my victorine de trop - Marianne is better, but, deprived of walking out, as the least exercise, quite upsets her - Henni, went to the grain line, in his waggon, to-day - he is certainly very much better, although, not perfectly free from a stiffness in his foot and knee - the grist mill, is always full of grain - it goes admirably - a lovely moon light to-night - appearance of fine weather for to-morrow - our dear Friends, who are at sea, are, now very near, home - how much I long to hear of their safe arrival -

Sunday 11th Dec. If, possible, still finer weather
than yesterday - perfect Spring temperature -
quite a crowd of people, at church - the
roads are thawing fast - a lovely day -
a fine bright, warm sun - this morning,
there was a hoary frost - the brilliancy of the
warm rays of the sun + made it soon
disappear - to-night, it is foggy - but with all
still appearance of mild weather - a great
number of boys, were skating; after worship -
my dear Willy was among them - my
sweet Curo, complains of a slight headache
this evening - I always feel anxious, when
I hear her complain - then ^{deal} continues
better - he takes a great deal of exercise -
God, grant he may enjoy perfect health,
during our long winter -

Monday 12 Dec. Very cloudy all day - damp, & disagreeable
not cold - the roads bad - the grist mill, is
thronged, to a degree - no less, than 41 voitures,
there, to-night - the mill goes beautifully -
a little more water, is needed - Willy & Curo
exercised with their hoofs, this afternoon -

this gloomy weather, rather affects, Mammar - she is
not as well as usual - Timi continues to go about,
although, he is not, as rugged, as I would wish to
see him - I am still weak - however, I am very
thankful, to be as well as I am - after having
suffered so much -

Tuesday 13th Dec. a return of most delightful weather,
again a most beautiful bright sun - quite
a summer temperature - it has been perfect
lovely weather all day - my dear children
are in good enjoyment of health -
Mammar is well to-day - the roads are
becoming good - we shall again, have
summer roads - Prince Albert continues to
fly to St Lambert - the grist mill continues
to be over thorough'd - a most lovely moon -
light - Willy & Caro continue to shate, every day -
the stage comes in, in the afternoon -
instead of arriving at night - the change
only commenced to-day -

Wednesday 14th Dec. - again, most delightful weather, rather colder, than yesterday, but, still a beautiful bright sun — a cloudless sky — the roads are becoming good — I went to church, early, this morning — I found the air, so pure — so invigorating — a glorious sun-set, this afternoon — the ice, is like a perfect mirror — Willy & I enjoyed their skating very much — I & C. joined them to-day — he also skated — Mammie is not well — she complains, of a pain in her chest — a general weakness — Henry went down to the Falls for the mail — this afternoon — it came in about 4 o'clock

Thursday 15th Dec. — This morning the weather was fine — about midday, it became cloudy, damp & disagreeable — I felt very much that Henry, has chosen such a day as this, to travel, he left this morning at nine o'clock by the stage — en route, for Montreal — I fear, this damp atmosphere, may affect him — after breakfast we le' C. went to St George — he came back for dinner,

Willy & Carl, enjoyed themselves very much,
skating, playing on the ice, with their little
sledge - it being long - they made good use
of their time - Weather is better to-day -
the roads to the Falls are good - no appearance
of snow - it looks more like rain, than
any thing else - what extraordinary weather
for this season -

Friday 16th Dec. a cloudy, damp - disagreeable day -
it is cold - it feels, like snow - I hope Henry, will
not feel any bad effects - from this damp weather.
I will be glad, when he is back home -
I expect him only to-morrow - my dear
children are a miracle - much appear-
ance of rain -

Saturday 17th Dec - rain all day - very dreary,
horrible weather - quite enough, to give the blues -
it is not, at all cold - on the contrary, very
mild - what an awful damp day -
Henry will have to travel to-day - I expect him
by the stage - I will continue my journal,
after his arrival - there is to-day 11 years

Mr Le Curf was made Priest — I would have
hoped, to have gone, to hear Mass for him —
this morning — but the rain & sleet, prevented
me — Then a Fisher have just arrived
by the stage — whom says, he feels, so
much better than when he left — his trip
to Town has done him good — so much,
for change of air — they crossed, very
comfortably in the Prince Albert —

Sunday 18th Dec. This is winter, in full earnest —
it has been snowing all day — at times, quite
a gale — it has been, very cold since morning
a strong N.W. wind — many more people at
church, than, could be expected, in this bad
weather — Mr Le Curf, sang hymns at a few
minutes after twelve o'clock — as he was leaving
for St John's immediately after his luncheon —
which we took at one o'clock — Fisher
& Willy went out to take a drive, in the sleigh
with Brumette — it is the first time, Willy takes
out his winter turn-out — they found it very
cold driving — Mr Le Curf will have had a
very cold disagreeable drive — Charles drove him

to-night there is 11 degrees cold - it is quite boisterous -
I fancy, this cold weather, will put an end, to
the plying of the boat to the Lambert -

Monday 6th Dec. Intensely cold - a fine bright
sun - not enough ^{snow,} for sleeping comfortably -
the little there is fallen, is, still acceptable - no
doubt, this is the depth, of winter - my dear
children are in perfect health - Henri, thus
far, is quite well - I feel, very thankful for
it - Mr. Le Cire returned, from the joints this
afternoon, he says the cold, was intense, during
the night - that the ice on the river ^{at} the joints
was perfectly thorough, this morning - to-night
there is 18 degrees cold - Henri went out in his
cutter with Charley horse - Frobisher went with
him - the two mountain, mares, went out
this afternoon on the green slope - Thomas
drove them, as far as Marsh's - they returned
in beautiful spirits - not a hair turned -

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Tuesday 20th Dec. a beautiful bright cold day,
a little more snow, would be very desirable -
Henry drove the horses, 20 miles to-day -
with all, they were not fatigued - they are
so spirited - we le^{ve} early went to the Bay -
after funeral - he remains there, till to-morrow,
it is ext. allie, faire Nippion - intensely cold,
all day - to-night, 18 degrees cold
my sweet children, are in perfect health -
I feel very thankful to see them so gay,
and happy -

Wednesday 21st Dec. Cloudy, all day - still not an
unpleasant weather - Henry went to the Bay, this
afternoon - we le^{ve} early returned about 2 o'clock
from the Bay - a great number, attended the
Nippion - the roads on the ice, good - on
land, not enough, snow - Willy & Caro went
out, after their school, to take a drive, in their
little sleigh - Veronette, goes, delightfully -
appearance, of snow, to-night - it is very much
needed -- it is mild & pleasant, this evening

Thursday 22^d Dec. Quite cloudy, all day - a little snow, this afternoon - Henri continues to drive out, every day, with the Mares - he always returns, from his drive, perfectly pleased, with them - Billy & Leo went out driving - it being windy - they amused themselves, very nicely all day - how sweet, we are all, waiting for snow - it is snowed, this evening - the water, for the hill continues good -

Friday 23^d Dec. This morning, it blew a perfect hurricane - so boisterous, snowing - drifting - the wind, from the hautte, it was not cold - a ten o'clock a.m. I went to church, to practise the singing on the organ - the weather, cleared up, in the afternoon - a fine sun set - the snow, that fell, this morning, has very much improved the sounds - Henri went down to the Falls, for the Mail - and a pleasent, this evening -

Saturday 24th Dec - It has been intensely cold all day - a strong, penetrating, wind, from the N. W - the winter roads, are very much better - the stage passed this morning on runners - it had, attempted, this mode, before - but, obliged, to go wheeling again for some days - Vadeau has made a very beautiful parure - for the grand feast of Christmas - we are all, awaiting, with an anxious feeling of delight - to hear the bell tolling, in the midst of the night - to call us, to church, to go and adore the Infant Jesus, in his humble dwelling - I cannot express, the depth of my feeling - at mid-night Mass - how thankful, we should, all be - to be so favored, as to have it, in our power, to go at that, very time - to offer our humble Prayers - how many! are deprived, of that, happiness - - - - - Willy & Caro retired very early - to refresh themselves, by a few hours sleep - dear children - their little hearts, front, with joy - at the approach of the great Festival - - - - - Willy, Caro, and I, will have the happiness, of receiving, at mid-night Mass - they are also, to sing, at the organ - I will do best

to accompany them — Henry, is to attend Mass to-night, it is a favour, which had been denied, him, for some years — as, he generally, is laid up, with the gout — at this time, of the year — thank Divine Providence — he is quite free, from it, at present — Mr Lashins arrived, this afternoon by the stage — the crossing at Montreal was, rather difficult, much ice, a high wind — James, is not well, he could not come — Henry & Theodore have put off, their visit — to a later period —

Sunday 25th Dec. This morning there was snow — we have at last, fine winter roads — in some parts — it seems, there is too much, snow fallen — the roads heavy, almost impassable — the mid-night Mass — was well attended — it was grand, impressive, as usual — the singing very passable — the church, was beautifully lighted — with a Coro are not ^{at} all fatigued — the high Mass, this morning was very fine — Mr le Caué preached, both in English & French — his

discourses, were much liked — a very great
number received — it was quite edifying —
Mr. L. C. sang l' Angélus at Salut — as
well as usual — after vespers, he went
to St. George — to remain, till, to-morrow —
both dear Willy & Caw, sang very nicely —
at Midnight Mass and, at High-Mass —
I feel very tired to-night — I shall, retire
very early — Management went to Mass a
vespers — she is, a little fatigued this evening —
Hans, has had a slight cold, since a few
days — he does not mind it, much —

Monday 28th Dec — The weather, mild & cloudy
all day — after Lunch, Hans went with
Mr. Larkins & Willy to take a drive, with
the Mars — they went as far as Bedford —
the winds good — dear Caw, went to see
Madam — she helped to put away the
grande parure of yesterday — flocks, of people,
yesterday, went, to offer their adorations,
to the Monger, of the Infant Jesus —
how, very much, this Devotion — speaks to the
heart — I do, so much, venerate, it —

this afternoon, Mr Fitzgerald, came down, on a visit, to
me to cure - he remains, here, till to-morrow -
there is only five degrees cold, to-night -

Tuesday 27th Dec. very cold - boisterous, a little
snow, falling, now & then - very disagreeable weather -
this morning, early, Mr Laskins, left, for Town -
Mamma had a cold - she coughs - Henri continues
well - my dear children - in perfect health -
Mr Fitzgerald, left after Lunette, for St. Johns -
on a visit to Mr Larocque - I have a headache -

Wednesday 28 Dec. Intensely cold - all day -
18 degrees this morning - a fine bright sun -
the roads, beautiful - delightful sleighing -
Mamma's cough, is much better to-night -
Henri goes down to the Falls every evening,
for the Mail - there was but one solitary
letter, in the bag - no, news papers -
the ice, opposite Town, must have, very
much accumulated - they were, expecting

to cross at Long-Point, in the course of the week -
more of this, by the news papers of to-morrow -
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having been out 12 days - What happy tidings;
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attending her - I hope, I will, soon have her well -
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INCOMES IN ENGLAND.—From a late parliamentary return it appears that 180,682 persons paid an income tax during the year ending April 5th, 1853. Of these 33 persons possessed more than £50,000 per annum; 373 from £10,000 to £50,000; 664 from 5,000 to 10,000; 380 from 4,000 to 5,000; 683 from 3,000 to 4,000; 1,456 from 2,000 to 3,000; 4,843 from 1,000 to 2,000; 815 above 900; 1,709 above 800; 2,004 above 700; 2,021 above 600; 5,260 above 500; 7,187 above 400; 14,679 above 300; 30,142 above 200; 40,473 above 150; and 33,158 below that amount. Under another schedule 54 paid on incomes above 500, and 21,296 on incomes under 150.

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God only knows! - may we be resigned, and
willing to obey, to all ~~the~~ His, callings - is the
fervent wish of my heart -

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Sunday 1st January. quite a heavy fall of snow - it continued to fall, all day - notwithstanding - there were many people at Mass - This morning, at 6 past six o'clock - my sweet children, came down, to our room, to ask their Father's Benediction - after which, I went up, with them, to ask my good brother's blessing - which, she, fervently gave us - then, came the moment of receiving their New-year's gifts - a very handsome collection of books - How children they are to find, of reading, it is quite encouraging, to make them, such offerings - Henry is well - Mammam, went to church, to-day - the weather, continues very mild - Professor the Aubin, came to dine, with us to-day - he remains, till to-morrow. I have a slight head-ache, to-night - there is now, quite snow, enough to make capital roads -

Monday 2^d January. This morning a little snow fell — in the afternoon, the weather, became beautiful and bright — a fine sun — the roads are very good — after luncheon, Stern & Willy went to take a long drive, with the horses — this morning Mr le Cari, commenced, the visitation of the Parish — Whistler, came to take lunch with us, to-day — after having been laid up fourteen days — Mr le Cari finished his visit in the grand Ligue, ^{at} about 5 o'clock P.M. — returned rather fatigued — He is making recensement — we found poor Dash-Board, this morning — no doubt, the Mange killed him — he was Mr le Cari's great favorite.

Wednesday 3rd Jan. delightful mild weather - the sun did not come out, to-day — after Breakfast, Harry left for Bedford — he went there, to act, at sitting Magistrate — he spent the day there — Mr. Le Cuné, continued his visitation — he went to the Bridge to stay — I have not been out, to-day — I am ~~coming~~ coming along, since a day or two, I must be prudent, to avoid, being laid up again —

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Wednesday 4th Jan. Uncommonly mild, quite a thaw - the snow is disappearing fast - after Breakfast we le. car left by the stage, to go to the Athanase Harris went up to Bedford for the agricultural winter show - he, being president of this society - my dear car, was quite indisposed this afternoon, having eaten something which disagreed with her - to night, she is very much better - I have again, a nasty enough, which fatigued me - Harris, is rather pleased, to see this thaw, as it will, give more water for the grist mill - it was lowering very fast - we hear, this melting snow & ice, dripping now, from the roofs, at, in March - the grist mill, continues to be well supplied, with grain -

Thursday 5th Jan. very cloudy, all day - rather colder, than yesterday - much appearance of snow - we le. car, returned from the Athanase this morning, a carter, brought him how he says, when it, ~~only~~ hardly, any more snow remaining - the thaw, has been so great - from Blue River to

Brunham, no more snow - the stage, passed, after
six o'clock P.M. - the crossing ^{on the ice} at Montreal, is, ad
low, down, as at Longue Pointe - the water has
risen, to a great height, in Griffon town - so
the News papers, say - this evening - Anna
is not well to-night, she complains, of a
pain, in her chest - I have, an attack, of the
Influenza - remained, in the house, since
three days - Lou, is quite, herself again -
Willy, enjoys perfect health - Henri à merveille -
Frobisher & Willy went to the Falls, after
breakfast - they enjoyed, this drive - —

Friday Jan. 26th 1860. — See you at Nois. This morning
it rained a strong wind from the South -
the weather, cleared up - became delightful -
a great many people, at Nass - I was debarred,
from attending, I am still very worse - a couple
much at night - Frobisher, played the organ -
after vespers, we le lire, went on a sick call -
a beautiful sun set - a fine clear sky -
a lovely moonlight - it is quite cold to-night.

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Saturday the 1st Jan. Cloudy, cold &ingscable -
snow in the afternoon - Billy & I went
on the ice below the house - as far as Sparks
to skate - they had great fun - after Luncheon
they all three, went down ^{to} the Falls, with Brunet
they enjoyed their drive very much -
I have not been out, for some days -
I still cough - whilst we were all,
assembled, for evening Prayers - we heard the
noise of Bells, ringing up to the Hall door -
it was Jane & Theodore, who, were arising
from Montreal - having left town, at
3 o'clock P.M. by the Stage - as far ^{as} Lambert, &
there, taking the Cars - it is still snowing to-night -
the roads, are beautiful - Pepin Dupuis
came to take Luncheon, with us, he returned
to St Athanase immediately after -

Sunday the 2nd Jan - This morning there was still
a good deal of snow - the weather, became
perfectly beautiful, a bright sun - again
in the afternoon, it was Cloudy & dark -
after vespers - Theodore & Billy amused themselves
skating - opposite the church - Montmore

want to church, this morning - she is very much better - I was again, deprived to-day, of going to Mass - also we contrarie brunswp - - -

Monday 9th Jan. Intensely cold, all day - Mr. L'Ami continued his visitation, to-day - Lavoie took him along Ribe River - I got a very nice wedding cake for Louis Chatelan, who, is to be married to-morrow - Whistler & Willy went to take a drive, with the mares - I have not yet ventured out - I intend going out, to-morrow - - -
Henni continues to enjoy capital health - -

Tuesday 10th Jan. Quite a fall of snow - it continued to fall, very heavily, all day - this morning, at 7th
just seven, Henni, Willy, Cans, and I went to Mass, to be present at Louis Chatelan's marriage - with
Angèle Pépin - a great many of her friends -
attended - Whistler, played, the organ, all the
time, during Mass, - after Lunch, we all went
to pay the happy pair, a visit, in grande cérémonie,

They were so happy to see us - they did
not know, how, to express their Gratefulness -
we sat down to table, with them, all - to
partake of their nice simple collation -
I cut up the cake, helped the Bride & Bridgeman,
nursed ourselves, very much, for a couple
hours - left them all, delighted & happy, to
have seen us at their Banquet -

Chatthan - had lived, with us, thirteen years -
a very good industrious young man -
so perfectly honest, - a faithful servant -
the roads are heavy & disagreeable - the
horses were very fractious to day - I did
not go with them - with drove me ^{a Cais.} with
Brunette - we enjoyed, our drive, very much -
it is cold to night - it, still snows -

Wednesday 11th Jan. a most beautiful day -
such a delightful temperature, not too cold -
a fine bright sun - after breakfast, I
drove me to see a poor family, in the Bridge,
also to visit, a sick woman, whom I found
so very much better - I also, called on all
the people, of the establishment - I found them

all, well a happy — François has a cold — he remained at home all day — Henn continues to enjoy better health, than, usual, at this season — my dear children are a merveille —

Thursday 12th Jan. It rained all last night by torrents so much so — that, there is, but, little snow left — the rain, ceased, about one o'clock P.M. — the weather is unusually mild — it is quite, like Spring — Henn has a slight tickle, of the Influenza, François is better — I have been making a regular arrangement, in the library — the children's and my own, are in perfect order — the grist mill continues to be well supplied with grain — the rain of last night was of service, in giving, more water, to the mill — I must say, it was needed — as it was lowering fast — to-night it is pouring with rain — quite a fusket — it continues to be perfectly mild 6 degrees heat —

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Friday 13th Jan. perfect Spring weather -
not a particle of snow, to be seen - the fields
quite bare - the garden & lawn like in
summer - such, was the state of the
weather this morning and all day - last
night, it rained by torrent - this afternoon,
a beautiful sun-shine - no more snow,
not even, ice - Mud all over mud -

I went down to the Falls with Billy - he
drove me with Brunette - he le Cure, continued
his visitation to - day - he went to Doddington
in that direction - no snow, to be seen -
the water is high - it went over the dam
in great style - I wrote to England, this
afternoon - it is snowing, to-night -
the thermometer, at freezing point - -

Saturday 14th Jan. quite a change of temperature
very windy & very cold all day - a little snow
fell last night - the roads are very dangerous-
so icy - perfect glare ice - every where -
we see but Carts, come to the hill -
since yesterday - the stage passes on wheel -
Marie went early to church this morning -

Lobisher, Theodore, Billy & Caro, had delightful skating — this afternoon — Mr Larkins arrived by the stage at 4th past four o'clock — quite cold, to-night — Henry went to Bedford, after Luncheon — he says, he was the only person driving in a slight — every one else, in waggon — he attended an agricultural meeting — the water, is very high —

Dimanche 15th Jan. This morning lovely weather — cold, a fine bright sun — a great many people at church — after Mass — Mr Le Cire, called, a temperance meeting which, was numerously attended — many more, joined, this noble association — this afternoon, it commenced to snow — much to the great disappointment, of the skaters — as it, covered over the beautiful share ice — Francis still walks — his humor is well — she went to church, this morning — Lobisher played the organ most delightfully —

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Monday 16th Jan. It snowed last night - sleighing improved - more snow, still needed - the stage, passed again, this morning, on wheels - Mr Larkins left after breakfast, by the stage - Madam, left also, for St John's - Henni went out with horses - they went admirably well - Francis purchased a little dog, called Fussy - from a weary traveller - who came in to ask his dinner - disagreeable weather - snow, & wind all day - Mr le Cire continued his visitation to-day - he went to Stombridge village - cloudy to-night - appearance of more snow -

Tuesday 17th Jan. a lovely morning - rather colder in the afternoon - a little snow falling, now & then - immediately after breakfast - Henni & Gibbons went to Swanton - they at one o'clock P.M. the horses went delightfully - no winter roads - very rough - the hills, most awful - after luncheon - Mr le Cire left for the play - on a mission - with a car - quite gay & healthy - taking lots of fresh air, every day - Henni is tired to-night -

Wednesday 18th Jan. very cold & disagreeable all day -
Mr le Curé returned from the Key a little time
after luncheon - much pleased with the success
of his mission - Mr le Grand vicar Crivier -
from the Prairie - came to pay Mr le Curé a
visit - he took luncheon, with us - after
which, he went on, to Henryville - I did not
go out to-day - I did not feel well -
appearance of snow, to-night -

Thursday 19th Jan. a most delightful day - cold,
but pleasant. I took a long drive with Hannah James
the Mares, went admirably well, it was quite pleasant
to drive with them - I called on a sick woman, in the
Bridge - on our return, we found Miss Sophie Lawque
& Missie H. Aubin who came to dine with us - they
retired home after tea - the roads are good -
although, there is not much snow -

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Friday 20th Jan. It snowed very heavily, this morning, four inches of snow fell at least - after Lunch - I went out with Whisker in the Ridge to the Countermantles — I found the roads very good — to-night it is raining - strong south wind —
Vadeau returned this afternoon from St. Johns — Willy & Caro armed themselves sliding with their Tobagou —

Saturday 21st Jan. Uncommonly mild weather, cloudy — delightful roads — more snow falling — the weather has become more cold this evening — I went down to the Gulls — with Willy, a Caro — we enjoyed our drive, very much —
Brunette — dogs, so nicely — I purchased lots of Cabico a yellow cotton — at a cheap rate — put a prosthetic to-night — a perfect hurricane — Vadeau, attempted to go home, she had to return and sleep here — the wind, was so strong — there was, no going against it — one, felt choked —

Sunday 22nd January. a truly beautiful bright day - very cold - still, very pleasant - 20 degrees cold, this morning - the roads most delightful - a great many people at church, I feel, so thankful, to see, Henri, my old Mother, and my dear children, enjoying perfect health - they all attended church, to-day - what a blessing, when I see them, all so well in health - after vespers, we b. ari, left for St. Athanase, in route, for St. Hyacinthe - he does not return, before next Friday - Chatelain has taken him with his young horse - a fine glorious sun set - very cold, to-night - Giblissier played such a pretty music, at vespers - I envy his talent -

Monday 23rd Jan. this morning, the weather was disagreeable, snowing, a drifting - this afternoon it was quite delightful - a fine ~~sun~~ bright sun - the roads beautiful - Henri & James went out with the horses - they had a delightful drive - Francis & Giblissier went out with the young horse - with a Theodore with Brunette - finally, they all went out for a nice drive - Caxo

this morning took a long walk in the woods with Willy, Frobisher & Theodore — appearance of fine weather for to-morrow —

Tuesday 24th Jan. a perfect hurricane all day — such a groudée — a strong wind from the N. W. notwithstanding the storm, Henri & Willy went to the Falls — for the Mail — there not being much snow, in these parts — the woods, are still good — my dear Coco, complains of a head-ache this evening — I always feel so unhappy when I see her suffer — Frobisher & Theodore went out driving in the midst of the hurricane — since three days — the cold, is intense —

Wednesday 25th Jan. such intense cold, not to be mentioned — this morning, no less than 27 degrees remained so dreadfully cold, all day — the wild geese, could no longer remain in the river — they were literally freezing — when Henri caused them, to be housed — no greater sign — than of intense cold — farmed had quite

decided, upon leaving, this morning - but, the extreme
cold - made him and his sons, put off, their return
to town - quite impossible, to travel, in such weather -
Henry goes about as usual - nothing, stops him -
when, he is not troubled with the gout - dear
Caro did not venture out to-day - I am
suffering from a severe cold, in the head -
also earache - we have kept the stoves
red-hot, all day -

Thursday 26th Jan. quite a change in the temper-
ature - weather mild - south wind - snowed
in the night - after Breakfast, James,
Lobisher, & Theodore left by the stage for
Montreal - I regretted to see them go -
Lobisher, particularly, I will miss him -
now, in the afternoon - Billy, went driving
with his mother quite alone - Caro went
down to the Falls, for the mail - with her father -
she was delighted with her drive -
the weather continues mild - what a change
since yesterday -

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Friday 27th Jan. a delightful bright day —
cold, but pleasant — the roads very good —
Henry went to Sturbridge village —
he enjoyed his drive — mamma is quite
well — my sweet children, also — flourishing —
I received a long letter, this evening, from
my dear friend Mr. Cawthron — she gives, such
good tidings, of my dear Nieces — they are
so happy & delighted with their new home —
Luiza, writes mamma a long letter —
gives a full description of the gay life — she
has spent, since her arrival in London —
they are, now, at school — Mr. Le Cire
returned from Hyacinthe, before luncheon —
he slept at Athanae last night — he is tired —
complains of a head-ache —

Saturday 28th Jan. It has been again intensely,
cold all day — in short, the whole, of this week,
has been most severely cold — the weather
was fine & bright — the roads, most beautiful —
the water, is becoming, very low, for the hill —
Mr. Le Cire went to Henry-ville after breakfast,
on his return, he went to a sick call — in the
Bridge — Mr. Larkins arrived this afternoon by

the stage — James, Job, & Theodore, reached Montreal on Friday at four in the afternoon — they are all well — I have not been out, since Monday last —
Henry is well, always about, as usual —

Sunday 27th Jan. extremely cold, intensely cold — nothing like it, since five years — the ball of the Thermomètre, was so low, that we could not see, the exact degree, of cold, this morning — we could, count, but 29 degrees all I know, is, that, it was, fearfully, cold —
a beautiful bright sun — the woods, magnificent. Henry after breakfast, went up to Phelps's with the Mares — Manner went to church to-day — notwithstanding the great cold — many more people, came to Mass than, one, could have expected — they have indeed, a great deal, of merit — with a few, enjoy perfect health, how very thankful, I feel, for it — a splendid snow day — it will again, be excessively cold, to-night.

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Monday 30th Jan. It has been rather boisterous
all day - ~~not exceedingly~~, cold - still, cold enough -
to make one wrap up well - Mr. Larivie
left this morning, Chatelaine, took him to
St. Johns - Henri went up to Phelps's again -
even as far as Capt. Chandler's - Dr. W. Nelson
came out to prescribe for him - he is atropical -
the roads are full, this afternoon, from the
drifting of to-day. It has been cloudy all
day - how much, I regret, having no
thermometer - Henri will bring one
from Town - this week -

Tuesday 31st Jan. Very mild all day - snow, met a
slat - it is snowing again - it looks quite like
a thaw - we rather enjoy, this mild weather,
after having had, such intense cold -
I went to church this morning - Henri is
well, he went down to the Falls for the Mail -
Hughes - is going in, to Montreal to-day -
I have a head-ache - I do not feel inclined
to scribble -

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Wednesday 1st February. Very very mild weather - quite a thaw - it snowed this afternoon - the snow, melted as fast, as it fell - the roads are bad - the water, for the hill, very low - a great pity, as it is thronged with grain - Mespire St Aubin, came to dine with us, he remains till to-morrow to go to Durham, with Mr le Cure - my dear Caro coughs, to-night, I feel anxious, I fear, she will be ill - God grant I may be mistaken - I have given her, syrup of thu, three or four times - it seems, to allay the cough - the weather, still very mild, this evening -

Thursday 2nd Feb. It was cold to-day - I found it severely, so - after breakfast I went with Willy to visit a family, at the entrance of the bridge - I was bitterly cold - on my return from there, I continued to the Falls - to make purchases - this morning early - Mr le Cure & Mespire St Aubin went to Durham on a visit to Mespire Fitzgerald - they returned for dinner - It will take a very long drive, this afternoon - Willy went with him - they went to Stanbridge village to the Borough, a still further - they drove, several miles - Caro, still coughs - although, I find her better - she is, in such, good spirits - Mespire St Aubin

returned home this evening — I received a letter, from my dear Friend Nedde ~~de~~ ours, by to-day's Mail — dear Willy is in perfect health — always so gay, a full of fun — Willy, during his long drive, saw a crow — sign of soft weather — so is the saying —

Friday 3rd Feb. a beautiful bright sun, but very very cold — the roads are delightful — Carts enough very much better — a great deal of grist at the mill — the water, rather more, plentiful to-day — Yesterday Henry brought a magnificent bird — from Mr. Comstock's, also a fine hen — true Changay — this afternoon, I found it, bitter cold, when returning from church, at five o'clock — a lovely moonlight — 20 degrees cold —

Saturday 4th Feb. The cold, is, this the most intense we have had, this winter — a beautiful clear sky, a fine bright sun — no wind — but, freezing cold — it has been so, all day — how much, I regret we have not a thermometer, to give us the degrees with a certainty — I have a small ^{one}, but it

suffice, for this extreme cold - it is all guss work -
a glorious sun set - such beautiful golden clouds -
appearance of fine weather - cold cold —

Sunday 5th Feb. quite a change of temperature - this morning it was awfully cold - with a J, went to church at 7th just seven o'clock - we thought, we should freeze - to our, great astonishment, when we returned, at high Mass at 10,01 o'clock - it was so much milder - we found it quite pleasant - again, this afternoon it ^{was} still cold - the roads are very fine - Manner went to church to day - a great number attended - after Mass, Mr. L. C. went to St. George - he returned in the evening - Henry, is well - takes, much exercise, as usual - it is cloudy, it looks, like snow this afternoon - a beautiful moonlight -

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Monday <sup>7th Feb - again, a very severe cold day
a bright sun - fine blue sky - but -
intensely cold - Henry, drove as far as Phelps -
he ^{also} went down, for Mail - Willy, coughs - I am
nursing him - he will not go out, early in
the morning - Mammas has been complaining
to day - she is not, as well, as usual - -
her leg, has, healed - I made her apply a
small blister, this morning - to break it a new -
Dr White - says - not to allow it, to heal - to being
a safety valve, for my poor Mother - at her
advanced age - she requires much care - -
a perfect lovely moonlight - 16 degrees cold
to night -</sup>

Tuesday <sup>8th Feb. a delightful day - not too cold -
the woods are beautiful - this afternoon we will
left to go to the Roxbury to make a mission -
Willy, and I drove down to the Falls - after luncheon
we enjoyed our drive very much - Mammas is
not at all well - she has again, those disagreeable
Oppressions, which make her, very nervous -
I went to see my flowers - they are beautiful.</sup>

the rose bushes - are full of buds - and so green & healthy
Willy, still coughs - less, than, yesterday -
appearance of mild weather -

Wednesday <sup>8th Feb. It has been snowing all day - a little
drifting - quite a disagreeable day - dear Willy
coughs a great deal - it makes me feel anxious -
dear Carlo, looks pale - Manner is better,
she is more, herself, to day - Mr. C. returned
from the Bay, this afternoon - he is much
pleased - a great many attended, at the Mission -
Herr is well - he takes his usual quantity
of exercise - very day - it is extraordinary, at
what a high price, grain, is selling at - It is
fearful, for the poor - and so little, of it, in
the country - - Water, is scarce for the hills -</sup>

Thursday <sup>9th Feb. a very pleasant mid day - last
evening it rained - this afternoon, it showed, for a
few moments - after Luncheon - Herr, Mr. C.
Willy, Carlo, and I, went and took a long walk, in the
Forest - we went as far, as, where, they were marking
a Charity - two woodmen, fell a large tree, for us,
to see it fall - the crash was great - I fear</sup>

the walk, was too long, for my dear Cao; she
suffers, most dreadfully, from a severe head-ache.
I sincerely hope, she will be, quite herself, again
to-morrow - dear Willy, still caught a great
deal - Mammie is not well - she is better in
spirit, this evening, having received happy tidings,
from her dear grand children - by to-day's
Mail - appearance of snow to-night -

Friday 10th Feb - a most disagreeable bitter day -
drifting, knowing, now a then, blowing a perfect
hurricane - I found it, so cold - returning from
church this afternoon - Harry drove with the
Marie - he went down to mail, on English letter
for me - this evening, the Beadle returned from
Montreal, having left this morning, to go and
fetch a most beautiful Beaver, which, a
friend of Mr le Cine's had purchased for him,
at St Jerome - it is a magnificent one -
a perfect curiosity, for the children and I,
as we had never seen one before - we have
laid it, on the dining room table, to thaw, a
to-morrow, we will get it spinned - a fine

moonlight - beautiful bright day - very cold -
Willy is better, he ~~comes~~, off, to - night -

Saturday 11th Feb very clear beautiful bright weather,
but, intensely cold - ~~night~~ perfectly good -
such fine roads - this afternoon Dr Wright, came
to see us, he prescribed for Mammar, Cavo, a $\frac{1}{2}$ ^{oz}
very happy he has come - I will follow his
prescriptions - I hope, those awful head-aches of
mine, will leave me - Willy continues to cough,
in proce - ~~them~~ did not go out to - day - he
complained of a pain in his shoulder - which, I
believe, is rheumatic - he took cold, yesterday -
I hope & trust, it is, but, rheumatic - I have never
seen, such a magnificent, brilliant moonlight -
it is as clear, as day - cold, cold, very cold
to - night - Mammar, is so relieved, after the
Dr's visit, he applied a small blisters, on her leg -
which, of course, will cause it, to break - then,
she will be happy - Water very very low -
for the grist mill -

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Sunday 12th Feb - a lovely day - this morning very cold
this afternoon, the weather, was perfectly beautiful.
such a fine clear sky - bright sun - a great
many people, attended church to - day - Henry
did not venture out, he still suffers, from
a pain, in his shoulder - after vespers,
Mr le Curi went on a sick call, to poor
Laroche, he is very very ill - I took a
walk, with Willy - while Caro, was making her
hour of adoration - after, which, she went
with her brother, to slide, in their bole agne -
Mammans leg - seems inclined, to break out;
she, rejoices at it - as she, will, no doubt, feel
reduced, when it will have formed a sore -
appearance fine weather, for to-morrow -

Monday 13th Feb. rain a sheet all day - south wind -
at one time, it hail - my dear children,
did not venture out to - day - Henry is much
better - I am in hopes, he will soon, be quite himself
again - Willy, coughed, more this afternoon,
than yesterday - I went down for the
mail - Thomas, drove me in my sleigh -
with Charley horse - he goes, delightfully -
Caro, commences this evening, to follow Dr Wigg

prescription - she takes a blue pill to-morrow morn
to stabilize taste - dear child may all this prove
beneficial, and cure, her head-aches -
it is raining to-night - the roads, are perfectly
icy - quite a verglas.

Tuesday 14th Feb. snow & that - quite a disagreeable day -
the roads very icy - I went down for the mail,
this afternoon - when I returned, it was snowing
fast - to - day - My dear sweet Caro - is twelve year old
dear dear child, may she, be, spared, we - enjoy
perfect health - always be, what she is, to me,
to - day - a dear affectionate child - may she never
long, any thing living, being - more, than myself -
my dear dear child - she is so spious, so good -
so lovable - may the Blessed Mother of God, protect
her - through life - I have put her, under, her
special care & protection - dear Willy is better,
he coughs less - he has not been out, since
Sunday last - the weather has been so unagreeable - - Henni, is very much better,
he intends going out to - morrow - it rained
last night to - night, it snows -

Wednesday 15th Feb - rain all day - in the afternoon
snow & rain - the water is rising - we
rejoice at it, as, it will give water for the
Mill - it was much needed - Henn went
out, for a few moments, after breakfast -
Nadeau, has been, quite unfortunate, about
the washing of the linen of the church - this
rainy weather - keeps her back - I did not
venture out to-day - the hydraulic rain
has gone on beautifully this winter -
notwithstanding the intense cold weather,
we had for some time, it never stopped -

Thursday 16th Feb. a most delightful day - not too
cold - although, we had no sun - the temperature
was pleasant - it is clearing up - we have been
deprived of the glorious rays of the sun, since
Sunday last - the roads are beautiful - Henn went
down to the Falls, this afternoon for the Mail -
Monsie M Aubin has come to dine with us -
Willy & Laro, have enjoyed their Congé - they were
out, all day - Willy still coughs now & then -
I have constant head-ache's - which make me stupid.

Friday 17th Feb. This morning at a $\frac{1}{2}$, after six Henri left for
Montreal - the weather, then, was, mild & pleasant -
moonlight - about an hour, after his departure,
the wind, rose, it snowed, in large flakes - it was
quite cold & disagreeable - fortunately, it cleared up,
again, the day, ended, by being fine & bright -
although, very cold - Thomas, who returned
from St. John's at 2 o'clock - said, that Henri had
reached the station, in less than two hours -
the Mares, are good travellers - the roads are very
good - I have had an awful head-ache, all day -
willy, shated, this afternoon - Caro did not go out,
having taken some of Dr. Wright's sweets -
Grand's is much better to-night - he had taken
cold - yesterday, he was quite ill - 15 degrees cold
to-night -

Saturday 18th Feb. - a disagreeable cold day - in the evening
much snow - Henri returned from town at 4 p.m.
evening P.M. - having left Montreal at 4 o'clock P.M. -
he is not all fatigued - we the cari went to on a sick
call - a few moments before dinner - I have again
an awful head-ache - Henri has brought a thermometer
I am very afred of it -

Sunday 19th Feb - a very beautiful bright day -
a fine clear sunshine - cold, very cold -
wind from the N.W. a great many people
at church - after reapers practised the singing
for Novena - Billy & Caro are well - the
roads are good - not much water, for the mill -
Herr, is quite well - his trip, to town, has done
him good - a little change - is always beneficial -

Monday 20th Feb. delightful weather - beautiful &
bright - very cold, in the morning - at mid-day
very pleasant - Billy & Caro took a great deal
of exercise - I went out, this afternoon - I walked
a ~~short~~ distance - the roads are very good -
Caro continues to take a blue pill, twice a week -
Mammie is well - the water, has risen, the
mill - goes well - this evening - they were grinding
with 5 mill stones - the mill, was thronged
with grain -

Tuesday 21st Feb. a beautiful fine clear ~~sun~~ ~~sun~~ ~~sun~~ ~~sun~~ ~~sun~~ ~~sun~~ ~~sun~~ all day - but, cold & windy, in the afternoon - after luncheon, I went, to the Falls, with Henri & Francis, went delightfully - in the evening, I had taken a long walk - down la montée du Ridge - the roads perfectly beautiful - Henri & Francis drove as far as Dodelin's - le curi left for St. Athanase at 4 o'clock P.M. en route for Montreal - I am in such a state of suffing, with that awful head-ache, which, does not leave me an instant. they commenced to fill the small ice house, this morn the ice, is very fine & transparent -

Wednesday 22nd Feb - cloudy, appearance of snow, cold, disagreeable, Henry - Billy & Lou are at Mmeville - Hammer is well - Yesterday, the took fresh air, on the platform - Henri & Francis went to visit Urbain & Chenty. - They have finished, filling, the small ice house - if, it does not rain, to-morrow, they will commence, filling, the large one - to-night, the weather, has become very cold - always a head-ache - I feel, so stupid - so upset, by, being in constant pain - Billy, shated this ~~afternoon~~ - afternoon -

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Thursday 23rd Feb. a perfect hurricane all day —
intensely cold — with a izzard — a little — all
a fine time — the drifting, has been most
dreadful — such a strong wind from the west
after breakfast, Francis, Henri & Willy all left to
go to François Robain's Chanty ~~is~~ impossible, to
get so far, the weather, was so cold, the
izzard, so great, the wind so piercing, they
were obliged to turn back, half way, & come
home — to night, it is awfully cold — the wind
still very strong —

Vendredi 24th Feb. This morning the weather
was disagreeable, after luncheon, I drove
down to the Falls, with Willy — the roads, much
better, than I expected, after the hurricane of
yesterday — in the afternoon, fine, a pleasant,
beautiful bright clear sky — Mr le Cari
returned from Montreal, by the stage, at
four o'clock — James is not well —
after dinner Mr le Cari, went on a ride
call — it is cold, to night — 13 degrees —
commenced filling the large ice house, this morning —
the blocks of ice — are beautifully large & clear —

Saturday 25th Feb. very cold very cold, all day - fine
sunshine - the roads, very good - I went to visit
a cottager with Willy & Caw - Stein went to Bedford
this morning to attend to an agricultural meeting - he
was again, elected President of the Society -
at five o'clock P.M. he drove with the Mares, as far
as Mount's - he, certainly took enough exercise, to-day
a beautiful starry sky to-night - cold very cold -

Sunday 26th Feb. a heavy fall of snow - in the afternoon
hail, & then rain - a great number persons
at church - Mumma was not well enough
to go to Mass - Stein continues to enjoy much
better health, than he usually does, at this Season
of the year - thanks Providence, no gout -
Willy & Caw are both looking fat - although,
they do not complain - a great deal snow
has fallen - most disagreeable damp weather -
I have a headache this evening -

1854

Lundi 27 Fev an awful snow storm, last night -
such deep snow this morning - it is the first
heavy fall, we have had this winter - there were
no roads - obliged, to shovel every where, before
we could reach, at any part of the place -
We be here a while, went in a sleigh, to church -
there was no track, to be seen - obliged to get
the road, in the lawn, beaten by a pr of horses -
Willy a caro, went snow-shoeing - they enjoyed it,
very much - Henry went down to the Falls
for the Mail - such heavy roads - a fine bright
sun - not very cold - Maria is not well,
the feels, oppressed, a general mal-aise -

Muesday 28th Fev - a very pleasant day - although
very cold this morning - at mid day, it was
delightful - the roads are rather better - not
quite so heavy as yesterday - Miss Litterell
came in, a little after luncheon - he says
the roads, from Dunham very bad -
Willy & Caro had congé to day - they went snow-
shoeing after breakfast - in the afternoon, Willy
to drive with his Papa - and Caro went to see
Nadeau, making wax candles - the men, assisted to make

them — they have completed, the filling, of the large
ice-house, this evening — they were retarded of one day
on account the bad weather — it is filled, with
such beautiful flake ice, so well packed —
appearance of wild weather — the setting sun,
was not bright, rather overcast —

Messrs St Aubin came in to dine, with us — returned
home, in the evening —

Wednesday St Mark's. ~~As~~ Wednesday — quite a crowd
at church, this morning — it is really edifying,
to see the marked piety of our good respectable
habitants — Henri attended, this year — last
year, he was deemed, that pleasure — he
was laid up, with the gout — Mme. M. is
much better — after Mr. Le Cire's early dinner
he left for the Boat, on a puffion — he was
tired from all his work of this morning — he
certainly had gone through, a great deal —
since, early in the morning — Henri & Francis
went to take a long drive, with the Mares —
to visit the Woodlands Boat, Walbridge — I received
a letter from Amherstburgh — announcing Mr. E. Reynolds'
death — he died on the 11th February 54 —
my sweet dear children, are quite well —
how thankful, I feel, for such a boor —
in the afternoon, with C. — I visited La pauvre Coquemont,

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Thursday 2^d March. a perfect beautiful day, so mild & pleasant - such a clear sunshine - a fine spring day - Willy, Curo and I went to visit a poor sick person - we enjoyed our drive very much - Charley horse - goes so well - Harry is well - he takes an immense deal of exercise - this afternoon, Mr. Warren came to turn the organ - he also tuned my piano - it needed very much - - Memmee is very much better - appearance of mild weather.

Friday 3^d March - rain last night - hail also - this morning at 7^o just five o'clock, Mr. Warren left for 11 miles, to take the first car - the Beadle took him - Willy & Curo are quite well - this mild weather will give water to the mill - it is required - this morning, it rained, it hailed a snowed for a few moments - there was quite a crowd, at prayers this afternoon - it commenced at five o'clock - how very methodious, those good habituad are, to come, to be so punctuel, to attend to their religious duties - delightful weather to-night, so mild. dear the Willy has a dreadful head-ache to-night - change of shirt - sfancy -

Saturday 4th March - a perfect beautiful Spring day,
so delightful was it to inhale, such pure soft air -
the roads very sloppy - the snow, so much thawed
as to make it very disagreeable walking, sinking, in
the soft snow - this morning when I went to
Mass (at 7 a.m.) with Willy & Caro we found
it delicious, to be out - Stein went to Durham -
before Lunch, he returned early - he is rather
fatigued to night - after taking so much exercise -
he went, as usual, for the Mail - a beautiful
moonlight - all so still, appearance, of a continuum
of mild weather -

Sunday 5th March - rather colder, than yesterday -
a fine day - a great many people at church
this morning - after vespers - the singers, practiced -
preparing for Novena - Stein coughs - but goes
about as usual - Willy & Caro quite well - the
roads, disagreeably - it thawed, this morning -
this afternoon, it commenced to freeze again -
Mamma was not well enough, to attend church -
I have a head-ache, I am not disposed to scribble.
the water, has risen for the Hill -

1854

Monday 6th March. very pleasant weather - colder.
than yesterday - the roads very wet -
after luncheon I went down to the Falls, with
Willy & Carl - we enjoyed our drive - Hein has
a cold, he did not go out to-day - he took
Magnesia, this afternoon - he, rather thinks, it ~~has~~
has done him, some good - Hammer is
better - a glorious sun-set - 7 degrees cold -
a most beautiful moonlight -

Tuesday 7th March. cloudy all day - damp - disagreeable,
Hein did not venture out - he still coughs, ~~feel~~
anxious about it - I fear, it may be an acute con
course of the gout - God grant - it may not be so -
I went to visit a poor sick young girl this morning,
I doubt, she will recover - but he will want to visit the
Schrool - at the entrance of the grand line - he was
quite satisfied, the children, are well taught, by Robert -
appearance of snow to-night - old Christin, a
big boy, shovelled away the snow, from the board
platform - it will make such a delightful
walk to church - -

Wednesday⁸ March - a most disagreeable day - so damp - in the afternoon a great ^{deal} of snow, fell - my board walk, which was so free from snow - is, again, quite covered with it - notwithstanding, the damp atmosphere Henry went out, this morning - his cough, is better - to-night, he has taken some cobchium & a blue pill - ~~that~~ I know not why - he is quite free from cough - unless, he thinks, his cough, may tend, to it - I never like, to see him, have recourse to such remedies, unless, they are ^{very} necessary - a great many people, at prayers, this afternoon, Worly Cure, after reading Prayers - made a very nice sermon, Sur la Priere - it is still snowing to-night - very mild - we hear the water, dripping, from the house -

Thursday⁹ March - cloudy, damp - a thaw - a good deal of snow fell last night - the trees were heavy laden, with it - much water under this, last fallen snow - Henry did ^{not} go out to-day, neither did I - I cough - Mr. & Mrs. Cure went to George, returned for dinner - Billy & Caro went with their Uncle to the creek - they also went in the woods - they enjoyed, their cough - Hammer is not well -

1854

Friday 10th March - rain all day - awful damp disagreeable weather - Henry still remains at home - he enoughs - although, but he is better - I am better also - I weigh much less - I do not intend to go out before Sunday - the roads bad - the children tell me, there were a great many people at prayers - notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather - - it looks like snow to-night - the glass only at freezing point -

Saturday 11th March It snowed last night - this morning my platforms again, covered with snow - how annoying - they were so very nicely shovelled - however, it is but snow, it will soon disappear - Henry has went to Bedford, to attend the agricultural Society meeting - mamma is not at all well - with her I enjoy perfect health - how thankful I am for such a favour - a beautiful bright sun, this afternoon, it was quite renovating - my platforms are quite dry this evening - a lovely moonlight - appearance of fine ~~weather~~ weather -

Sunday 12th March. most lovely weather to-day - a fine bright sun - quite a crowd at church - my poor mother is very unwell, she has been suffering from a violent pain, in her chest - I attended her all day - she is a little better to-night - the water has very much risen - we rejoice at it - it was needed, for the hill - I walked to church, all the way, on my nice dry platform - it was so pleasant - a delightful, bright moon - neither wind nor cold - I hope & trust Mammam will be very much better to-morrow.

Monday 13th March - very mild, damp - in the afternoon, rain - the roads very bad - looks very well - I went to see the Harley girl, this morning - I found the roads - over flooded - I did not like it - Mammam is a little better, still, she is, not, as I would, wish, to see her - I am very anxious about the state of her health - I expect Dr Wright, to-morrow - Henri wrote to him to come to see Mammam - Henri went to the Falls - he is hoarse, to-night, he, intends, to go to Montreal to-morrow morning - the stage passed on wheels, this afternoon -

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Found Tuesday 14th March. rain rain all day - notwithstanding, the bad weather - Harry left this morning at eleven o'clock for 66 Jolies, to take the two o'clock train for St Lambert - Thomas drove him, with the Canadian horses the roads awfully bad - when Thomas returned, he said, Harry had protected himself from the rain, with the large umbrella - I have been anxious - fearing he might get wet - Dr Wright came to see Hannah, he found her better - prescribed for her, as well as for myself - poor Mother, I sincerely hope, she may not get such another attack again - to-night she much better - Willy & Cora quite well - I write to night - it is still raining -

Wednesday 15 March. cloudy, very mild, quite Spring Weather - Yesterday, the nightingale was heard, he came with the voice of Spring, to announce, that bleak winter, was on the wing - the roads are awfully bad - such deep water in the roads - thank God! my poor Mother is better - I hope a

trust, the walls continue to improve — what disagreeable, damp weather, Henri has, in his voyage to Montreal, may be, be spared, from taking any cold — thus, far, he is blest, no gout — La grise est anisée, au pif, un petit oiseau, bleu — tout cela nous donne l'esprit, d'un bon bonheur — perhaps, et fort a bonne heure — I wough, much less, to-day — I have not ventured out since Monday — it is pourning with rain to-night —

Thursday 16th March — very mild & pleasant — the roads are perfectly inundated — my platforms also — there is a great fretchet — the ice below the dam has given way — Spring! Spring! — in earnest, however, we must not rejoice, too soon, in the course of the night, it thundered & lightened a good deal, this, again, announced, a retarded Spring — Mamma is better, still not as well, as I would like to see her — I went out this morning — a beautiful bright sun — Henri & Webster arrived by the stage, this afternoon they say, the roads, are awful — the crossing at St Lambert feaful — the depth of the cabots not to be told — Henri say he never made

such a disagreeable journey, the plank road,
is also, in a dreadful state — the wodes
all along the grand line, are inundated — the
houses & barns surrounded by lakes — it is
an awful state of things — the bridges all afloat,
such a dreadful fuschet — Henn is a
little fatigued from his voyage —
Messire St Aubin has come to remain till to-morrow

Friday 17th March — The fuschet continues to
be, to a great height — the garden, is
perfectly overflowed — there is no going
near the spring — the water, is fearfully, high.
the people from Bedford, were desirous
of coming to church, to celebrate the Feast
of St Patrick — great, was their disappointment,
many ^{had} to return back, after having
attempted, the bridges, having given way —
the Irish, had a beautiful Mass — a fine
blasted bread, pain Berit — Messire St Aubin
sang high Mass till he here came up to the
organ — he sang with with a caro, I wished
accompained them, so delightfully —
M. le curé, made, a very handsome
sermon — I only regretted, there were not more,

to hear it - (on Intépérience) Mammie is better -
the salles, very nicely - Reverend Pere Rojer to be
Reverend Pere Gauvin, arrived, by the stage this afternoon
to-morrow commences the Novena of St. Xavier -
what a time, of grâce a benediction; if, we,
can, only know, how, to profit, of it - - -
Hupis St. Aubin returned home - this afternoon
it snows, to-night -

Saturday 18 March - To-day commenced the Novena
of St. X. Xavier - very few people attended - in consequence
of the fearful hurricane, which has been raging,
since last night, it is awfully cold, a such
a tremendous wind - snowing, drifting, we never
experienced, such dreadful weather, ^{through} the whole
winter - such a bitter day - I felt so disappointed,
when I saw the tempest, continue, notwithstanding
about three hundred persons, were present
to the opening of this time of grâce - we call
its number, few - knowing how zealous, our good
Parishioners, are - I well, understand, the feeling,
they all, experienced, at being thus, deprived, of coming
in numbers, this morning - Reverend Pere Rojer
preached the first, sermon - he preaches, very

well indeed - he is so mild, so meek - he
interests, his hearers to the end - I am
certain, he will be, quite a favorite -
Reverend Pere, joined this afternoon -
I cannot say, I liked him as well, as Pere
Roger - his language, is beautiful - but,
his voice, is not pleasant, his declamation,
not good - we le curé sang - Willy, Caro &
helped, also two little Boys - who, with time,
will sing well - Mammie continues to
improve in health - I thank Divine Providence
for it - Grubbs, as usual, plays the organ
so sweetly - Hattie is well - the water
has diminished in height - although, it is yet,
very high - there has been 10 degrees of cold
all day - it continues, still, to blow or
most dreadful hurricane - I sincerely
hope, it will abate, in the course of the night -
this evening, being, the eve of our le curé's fare -
Willy & Caro addressed him, in petit compliment,
and presented ^{him} several four books -

Sunday 19th March - The cold continues, 10 degrees this morning - the roads, quite frozen - sleighing tolerably good - a great many people come to church to-day - this morning Mammie received the cure brought her Communion at 7^o past six o'clock - she felt so happy and so grateful, for such a favour - she continues better - she feels so happy at having made her Easter duty - it is so consoling to her - it has been cloudy all day - Henri experienced a slight pain, in his hand, this morning, may God grant, it will not end with the gout - Reverend Pere Moyen, preached, most admirably to-day - he is very eloquent - the cure sang the Ecce pax, most sweetly at Salut - the altar, looked most beautiful - Mme St Aubin has come to spend three days - to assist the cure, during this busy time - very cold to-night

Monday 20th March - a fine bright day - very cold - a strong wind - so freezing - a great many people attended church to - day - already, many, have had, the true happiness of Receiving - Poor Boyer continues to preach, most beautifully - he is always so interesting - Mommie is very much better - Henry is well - he went down to the Falls for the mail - Willy & Caro had delightful skating this afternoon, in the field - such a fine sheet, of ice - singing twice a day - we have the advantages of having Mr. Le Cari, to sing with us - very cold to - night -

Tuesday 21st March - still colder than yesterday, 15 degrees this morning - a bright sun but no wind, fortunately - a very great many people attended church to - day - a so many Received - my dear Willy is not well, since last evening - he feels chilly, uncomfortable - I am anxious about him, to - night - dear boy - I feel, so grieved, to see him indisposed - I much hope, he will be better to - morrow - Mommie continues better - Henry drove me to see a sick patient, of mine, this afternoon - we

found the roads, quite bare, no snow, here & there
a little ice, remaining, from the inundation of last
Saturday — before Mr. Aubin returned home, this evening,
M. Leiter, came this morning by the stage —
very cold to-night — 11 degrees —

Wednesday 22nd March — This morning the weather was
most delightful — not too cold, a fine bright sun —
this afternoon, the sky, became cloudy, the temper-
ature cold & damp — disagreeable — quite a
crowd at church, to-day — Le Précheur Mr. Hoyer —
continues to preach, most admirably — always so
interesting, so feeling, in all he says — his sermons
are most beautiful — my dear Willy is better,
still, not well — may he soon, be restored to his
general good health — Hannmer, is very much
better — no more sleighing — although, Hannmer
went down to the Latts in his cart — the
roads are very bare — Whistler rides on
horse back, every afternoon he delights in
that exercise — Richard Evans, came to live
with us, as Butler to-day —

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Thursday 23rd March - most disagreeable weather, all day - snow, sleet, & very damp - enough snow, again, for sleighing - a very great number of people, whiteine, to attend regularly, every day - to both Instructions, morning & evening - Pers Prayer, continues to give, most beautiful sermons - he is so eloquent -

I walk, this evening - Willy is better - Mariana continues to improve - Henri attends Opera, in the morning - Francis in the afternoon - I have a headache - I will retire very early -

Friday 24th March - quite a heavy fall of snow - it has been snowing, incessantly, all day - quite a second winter - notwithstanding the bad weather, there was great many people at church - all day - a very great many Communions, this morning - it is so cold - so windy - quite a storm - Henri continues well, with all these changes of temperature - Willy went to church to - day - his quarantine hours - commenced this morning - what a time of grace! may we duly profit by

it & render ourselves agreeable to the eyes of God, so,
as, to obtain, the pardon of our sins — amend our
ways — James & Mr Larkin's arrived this evening at eight
o'clock — we were so delighted to see James

Saturday 25th March — again, a boisterous day,
snow, & wind, very cold — piercing wind —
a most bitter winter's day — most awful
weather for the season — quite a crowd
at church all day — such a series, of beautiful
sermons — every day — this morning my
dear Hann, my sweet children and myself
made our Easter duty — I felt so happy, that
we should all kneel together at the altar —
to receive — what a pleasing affection —
how deeply, I felt it! — God, grant, we may
always, thus, be united in Prayer — to prepare
us, for eternal happiness —

Sunday 26th March — is it not extraordinary
again, a continuance of cold weather, snow,
drifting, damp — such dreadful weather —
the church, was thronged all day —
the sermon on Temperance, this morning

was most energetically given - it was deeply
felt - the impression was so good - so
admirable - in the afternoon - it was
a farewell Discourse - so feeling, so consoling,
how much I regret - this, Sainted time
of Novena, is already gone by - it seems
to me - it only commenced Yesterday -
may we, long remember, a be well
impreped - with all, the sublime
Instructions, which, were given us - during
these happy nine days - the altar, was
so bright a beautiful - we be one sang
most delightfully at Salut - this morning
with, Caro a I Received - four hs quarante
hours - nine hundred persons, Received
during Novena - it is very edifying, to
see our good Parishioners - so prounted
to fulfill their Religious Duties
bitter cold to-night -

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Monday 27 March - bitterly cold - drifting, a strong ^{wind} from the N. W - the roads awfully bad - banks of snow along the road side - we have had, this kind of weather, since last Sunday - in the ground line, a particularly, in the Barbotte, the roads are almost impassable - a so cold, this morning at eleven o'clock the Riverine Pére, left for St John's en route, for Montreal Mr Lushins, left with them - Chatelan took them with his horses on my green box sleigh - which, is very comfortable, for travelling - Chatelan, on his return, told us, the roads, were most awful - obliged to go through banks of snow - what weather for this time, of the season! to-night, it is very cold, snowing & drifting my dear children are quite well -

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Tuesday 28th March - This morning it snowed very much - it has been cloudy & disagreeable all day - very cold - at seven o'clock this morning, James & Fobisher left for Town - Chateaur again, with his horses & my box sleigh, took them to 4 pounds - the roads, are awfully bad - so full a heavy - how much, I must, both James & Fobisher, when they leave - Dear John - I love him, sincerely - he is my decided favorite - I feel quite lonely, without them - Mammars, is very much better - Henri is quite well - still, appearance of snow - What very extraordinary weather for 28th March - what a late Spring, we shall have - We le curi left, this afternoon by the stage to go to the bay - to make a mission - Henri drove to Bedford - he found the roads rather better - Hughes left, our servise - to - day he is gone to reside in Montreal - he is a very good servant - understands, his business - thoroughly - 7 degrees cold to - night

Wednesday 29th March - a beautiful bright day -
fine sunshine - not very cold - it is renovating
to see the sun out - we have had such awful
weather, since some days - that, it made
one feel, out of spirits - this morning after
breakfast Henry a Willy went to Bedford, on business -
Master Sandy, having misbehaved - Henry got him
taken up, brought before Magistrate Roberts -
he was fined eleven dollars, for his impertinence -
I hope, it will be a lesson for him -

I am again coughing - a pain in my chest a
side - I had intended, going to visit, a sick
patient, of mine - I will send Nadeau & the
children to take her medicine - fine weather,
rather cold, for the season - Mr Le Carre returned
this afternoon from the Bay - he found the
roads tolerably good -

Thursday 30th March - fine weather - cold, this
morning - very much milder, at noon -
this morning, Henry woke, with an attack of the gout,
in the left hand - it is not, as yet, very severe,
God grant, it may be, but, a slight attack -
he does not help his room - I sincerely hope

he will soon get rid of it - he has taken ebrium
I am much better - with a caro quite well -
as he ais, is gone to spend his conge, at
St. Georges, with Mr St Aubin - the snow
is melting away fast, to-day - this afternoon
it weather rather cloudy, appearance, either, of
rain or snow - with a caro, have had great fun
with Nadeau, all day - they out driving, walking,
amusing themselves, as they wished - Harmonie
continues to improve in health - she is in
good spirits - I hope, I will be well enough to
go out to-morrow.

Friday 31st March - Cloudy all day - strong
south wind - no winter roads, remaining,
but, at our own door - a great deal of
snow, has accumulated, against the fences -
every one, who, comes, to the office - say, that
either, from Standbridge village, or Bedford,
the roads, are quite bare - no snow -
I was, not well enough, to go out to-day -
I was deprived, of going to church, this afternoon,
its being the last day of Month March - (Le
mois de St Joseph) there was a consecration - a

st Joseph - I regretted very much I could not attend -
Francis, went to take a long drive this afternoon,
he went to Robinson's, to buy a cheese for me -
also as far as Comstock's, to see some very fine
Shangae's - Henry's hand is very much swollen -
much inflamed - I fear, it will be, a long attack -
he went about the house to - day - took his dinner
with us - but retired, very early - he is suffering
to - night - Charley horse is gone - an
American, bought, him, this afternoon £25 -

Saturday 1st April - poor Henry, suffered excruciating
pain, all night - to that degree, that at one o'clock
after mid - night - he took a Morphine pill -
the pain, in his wrist, is dreadful - he took
Colchicum to - day - kept his bed - he is rather
feverish - rain, in the morning - the
snow, is disappearing, altogether - Cloudy -
very mild - south wind - I still cough
I have not been out, since several days -
my dear children, are quite well -
Mammee is well - I pray a hope - Henry
will soon be restored, to his usual health -

Sunday 2nd April - a fine clear sunshiny, all day, rather cold - hard frost, last night - a great many people at church - although no roads, either, for sledding or wheeling, with any comfort - Henri is better, this afternoon, he got up, he took his goutee, in the boudoir, his hand, is still inflamed & swollen - the pain, much abated - he walked from one room to another -

Poor Mannan, is suffering from rheumatic pains, in his back - once, seated, she can hardly rise, without pain - I went to church, this morn - this aft I remained at home - that couple, of nine, still continues, it fatigued me - it is cold, this evening - it is extraordinary, how very thick the ice is - the water, is becoming rather, low for the mill - I hope a trust, Henri will soon be well -

Monday 3rd April a lovely day - beautiful bright sun - rather coolish for the season - Henri is a little better, ^{although} he suffers, from the whole of his arm - still the pain, is not very severe - he got up, before luncheon - the retired early, his hand, still inflamed, a swollen - Mannan, is better to-night - she did not

come down to - day - I took a little exercise this aft
I really, do not feel well - I have, such a tightness
about the chest - I hope, it will soon leave
me, it makes me feel, so uncomfortable -
a beautiful starry night - a lovely moon -

Tuesday 4th April - Cloudy all day - rather damp -
threatened rain - Henry is better - his hand, still
swollen - Mamma much better - dear Caro
had a violent head-ache this afternoon - dear
child! it is so painful, to see her suffer
to that degree - I did not go out, to - day -
I am better to - night - I hope soon, to be
able to renew my, usual daily, evocations -
God! grant, Henry may soon, be restored to
health -

Wednesday 5th April - a beautiful mild day - quite
Spring weather - I am not well, obliged, to take
an aspirin - I am doctoring myself, the man minus -
Henry's hand, is much better he put on a mitt
this evening - Mamma is also better - dear Caro

looks pale - she had a vicious headache all night -

Thursday 8th April - Partly, cloudy, rain this afternoon. Henri continues to improve, his gout, seems to be but de bou on the decline - he has taken a blue pill, every night - Atelium also - there is to-night eight days - he first felt the attack in consequence, there, is eight days - he has not been out - Willy & Clio are well - amusing themselves - building a house - Mammam is so so it looks - very much like Spring - the dear little birds are warbling, in every direction the ice over the Rahr, is still very thick - Robert, started the single saw, on the 4th inst - water, fair - rain again to-night - they ^{are} cutting the ice, round the bottoms to-day - Christian, brought us new maple sugar to-day 1/2 lb of it - Henriette Getran - came to see with us, to-day -

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Wednesday 7th April - This morning, the ground, was covered with snow - however, it did not last long - the fine warm sun soon made it disappear - the ice, below, the Ram, went off this afternoon - the river, is free, as far May lot - Marmara suffers from a constant pain in her back - Hans is better, mais, as an obscurement - there is now nine days - he has not breathed fresh air - Lampe went to town this morning - returned, to night at 7 past one o'clock - brought my box from Boston - from Express Office - still, some snow, near the fences - a little remaining, in the Lawn - I still caught now an noying - Caro looks pale - she does not, complain, of any pain or ache - I hope the fine weather will give her strength - a bright moon -

Saturday 8th April - Cloudy, damp, mild - disagreeable weather - unhealthy - Hans's hand, still painful - keeps it wrapped up in wool & flannel - Marmara feels very unwell - the pain in her back, makes her suffer very much - what a lagering spring! it is very trying to the constitution - such weather as this - this afternoon, snow & sleet, such horrible

weather - it is almost discouraging —

Monday

Sunday 9th April. Last night, it rained by torrents
it did not last, this morning, it was very
hump, mild, weather — the roads awfully
bad — this afternoon, the sun, came out,
it was quite reviving — Harry is much
better — Mammal & Rheumatic pains, are
more bearable — a great many people —
at church — the choir Worship, in church, was truly
beautiful, to see so many hundreds of Psalm, held
up, at the time of the Veneration — and then
the singing, the whole of the ceremony, so imposing,
so impressive — I am a little better —
after vespers — the singers, practised —

Monday 10th April — awful weather, not to be told —
it rained, this morning, then hail, snowed
the remainder part of the day — the river
opposite the garden, quite free as far as the
opposite the old May barrage — not a particle of snow
in the garden — a very small patch, of snow in the

Lawn — Hani is much better, he reposed well last night — Mammee, is not so well to-day — Willy & Law are a mercile —

Tuesday 11th April — rather cold for the season — but a glorious bright sun, all day — the roads, as bad, as they can be — few people, come to the Mill — Mammee, is not well, she is very much altered — I fear she will be weak, until the fine weather, brings her round — Hani is better, still, not well enough, to venture out — Willy & Law enjoyed their expedition — took lots of exercise — the ice over the lake, still firm the water very high — back-water, hinders the hydroelectric dam, from operating — obliged, to draw water from the river, for our use — I am not well, this morning — my poor chest, I fear, is going — a lovely moonlight — but cold —

Wednesday 12th April - a lovely clear sunshiny -
a perfect spring day - the roads, very muddy,
it was quite revolting, to inhale, such pure air -
Hann went out, this afternoon, for the first time,
since fourteen days, he had been a prisoner
with the gout, how very thankful, we feel,
we, he should have got over this attack, in
so short a time - Willy a caro went to help
Nadeau, to make the Reposoir - Mama
is better, so am I - the ice over the dam,
looks very strong, it cannot last long, in
that state - I almost fear, this, fine weather,
will not last -

Thursday 13th April - a fine bright day - but, cold
cold for the season - the ice, went off, in the
course of the night - the river, is now quite free -
it looks like Spring, in full earnest -
a great many people, at church to-day -
the Reposoir, was truly beautiful - the ice
got new gradins, made, which, are, a great
improvement - the parure of the Reposoir, was
so elegant, so tastefully arranged - at
five o'clock P.M. the ice sang the statat Mater

and made the Amende honorable - a most impressive ceremony - a very great many attended - a great number of people, received - again, this morning - our worthy habitants, are so pious - it is perfectly edifying - Henni, went out this afternoon - Willy & Caro are well - Hannah much better - now, thankful, I am, to be, well enough, to attend church - I cough, very much left, thor-mal - a cold hostile - cold wind all day - -

Friday 14th April - a continuance of fine weather, but wd, wd for the season - the winds drying fast - a perfect crowd, at church, this morning - and again, a great many this afternoon - how very edifying, it is to witness the piety of our good Parishioners - what a source of consolation, to be here Henni, continues better, he goes out, to the mill, ^{on} his, usual wounds - I spent a most dreadful night - coughing, incessantly - this morning, I was quite, done up - however, I must, ^{up}, enough courage, to go to church - the privation, of not attending, at these, most beautiful solemn, impressive, ceremonies of the Holy week, was, more, than, I could

have resigned, myself to — Mammie is not as well as yesterday — my dear treasures, are in good spirits, good health — a fine moonlight Friday, had an awful head-ache to-night —

Saturday 15th April. a fine bright sun, rather warmer than yesterday — a great many people at church — Mr. Lee, is fatigued — it is not to be wondered at — he has had, so much to do, all week — a constant fatigue — Mammie is better to-day — so am I — it was gladdening, to one's heart, this morning, to hear, the alleluia — the church, assumed its gay, happy appearance — all announced, the happy tidings of the Resurrection of our divine Redeemer — may we, be long impressed, & ever remember the true devotion, we felt, during this sainted week — I fear rain, for to-morrow — the water, is going down fast — it looks like spring to-day, notwithstanding — the cold N.W. wind, we have had all day — John brought in Lettuce & radishes to-day for the first time this season —

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I have a headache
very bad, so

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THE ICE. Crossing to St. Lambert, opposite the city, has been stopped, the ice having in several places given way. Passengers for Boston and New York now go by Lachine and Caughnawaga.

In a very few days we may hope to see steamers at our wharves, and by the 1st of May some of our Spring traders.

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I still suffer, still -
glad, willy & law
children, they are
received, with me

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vespers were at four o'clock - a very
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Monday 17th April - quite cold & chilly, notwithstanding
the bright sun - such a long continuance
of N.W. wind, as we have had, and still have
makes it very cold for the season -
to - day the men, were busy putting out
the bloomers - the water low, for the season -
this afternoon, Henri went down the falls
in his concord waggon, with Willy - it
was long to - day - in consequence, Willy
was out, all day - after breakfast, Caw
went with Willy, to take a drive with their
Brunette, they drove as far, as la Courtemanche,
they found the roads, good - after
luncheon, Willy went with his Uncle, at the
Stolicher Lot, to make logs, as Phelps, measured
them - dear boy - he is anxious, to learn
& make himself useful - Hammer
is a little better - I expected Dr Wright
to - day - I hope he will come to - morrow -
Henri walked out after dinner, for the
first time, this season -

Tuesday 18th April a most delightful day - such a delicious temperature - it was quite renovating - notwithstanding the wind, was still N.W. yet it was not cold - Stein went down to the Falls, on horseback - the roads as dry & dusty as in summer - the Saw Mill, is in full operation to-night, for the first time, this season - with a Cow are a merveille - Mamma, not so well, as yesterday - the Dr sent me a phial, by the stage - I went out this morning, walked round the park, for the first time, this Spring - a lovely evening, appearance of fine weather, for to-morrow -

Wednesday 19th April - a continuance of fine weather, bright sun - delightful temperature - Dr Wright came to-day - he found better, he prescribed for my obstinate cough - Mepire supnis came to take luncheon with us, after which, he returned to H. Alexander, where he remained with him, to mark the place where to build the Presbytery & erect a cemetery - Stein went down to the Falls, for the mail - Water low - the roads, perfectly beautiful -

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Thursday 20th April. a lovely day, a few drops rain,
in the morning, then a fine clear sunshine -
warm, delightful weather - after breakfast,
Mr & Mrs' went to St George - he returned early
in the afternoon, being indisposed with, Caro & Nadian
went, with their Uncle, to visit Granger's sugar -
they enjoyed their walk, very much - Henri
not so well to-day - obliged to keep the house,
his gouty hand, is again swollen, last night,
he took colchicum & a blue pill - to-night
he is much better - he, has had no paroxysm
since this morning - I hope, he will be
all right again, to-morrow - Mamma better,
I took my usual exercise to-day -

Friday 21st April. continuation of most delightful
weather - quite warm & pleasant - the wind
always N. W - Henri, better, still, not well enough
to venture out - his hand, yet swollen, one of his
fingers, particularly so - he takes colchicum &
blue pill again to-night - Mamma much
better - I went to make my hour this afternoon
I had been deprived of doing, since some time
previous to my going to church, I took a long

walk in the garden - with Willy & Carr - François le bain,
logs came down to-day - the water low, for
this, time of the year - the woods dry & dusty, as
in the midst summer - lovely weather, to-night
very dry, since the week, is commenced, we will have
& Willy, take a walk after dinner. —

Saturday 22nd April. a delightful mild day - rather
cloudy in the afternoon - it looks like rain -
Themi is still kept at home, with his swollen hand -
he frets very much about being deprived, of going
out, at this busy time of the year - the booms
are filled with logs - what a continuance of
dry weather - the water, is rather low -
Thierry feels better, since putting on, a
warm plaster - I again, took a long walk,
with my dear children, this afternoon -
how much, I enjoy myself with them -

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Sunday 23rd a most delightful day — quite a crowd at church — Herne is better, still, not well enough, to go out — Hammer much better — my dear treasures, in perfect health — the roads, perfectly beautiful — — — What a continuation of dry weather — — —

Monday 24th Longjurs the beam temp — how pleasant, to enjoy, such continual, clear, sunshine — I commenced, my Spring arrangements, in the garret, to-day — I am fatigued to-night — Herne found it too cool, to venture out, I hope, ^{by} will do so, to-morrow — the Saw-mill goes on first rate, quite enough water, for both mills — — —

Tuesday 25th St. Bartholomew's Day — perfect Spring weather — not at all cold — Spent with the children — to grand Mass this morning, a great many people attended — the table, was covered, with small parcels, of seeds, which were brought there, to be blessed — after the procession — dear Carl, did not forget, to take some

come to be blst, as the intends, to plant some, for the
Gov - dear child - Henri very much better, it is a
priv ~~sa volee~~ around him - he was out, a great
deal, to day - glad, to be released, once more -
Mr le Cuse went to the Bay, this afternoon, on a
mission - I am quite done up to night -
I have not yet, finished my summer menage -
I will retire early - to be refreshed, in the morning,
to continue my work -

Wednesday 26th April - rain all day - the grass, is already
looking green - Henri better - Hammer also -
I have finished my garnet summer menage - I am
very glad of it - Mr le Cuse returned from
the Bay at one o'clock P.M - they are taking
lots of fish at the Bay - hbarain, commenced
yesterday - will a Cart tied on their summer
clothes, to day - they have both grown tall, since
they last wore them - I have a head-ache
to night

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Thursday 27th April. What awful weather! it has been snowing, blowing, the ground is covered with a white sheet — what a change since the commencement of the month — it has been so beautiful & bright — it is cold, we heat the stoves, like in the midst of winter — Henri is ~~bad~~ is still — still swollen — this weather is very much, against him — I ought to — day — quite a winter's night — it continues to snow —

Friday 28th April. Such a depth of snow — a second winter — the platforms were shovelled, this morning, like in January — quite a heavy fall of snow — no less than, six inches, have fallen, since yesterday — Mamma is much better — Henri much the same — I am tired, I have finished my general, spring arrangements — every work & work, is in perfect order — it is cold, to night — my dear children are in perfect health — I thank divine Providence, for it —

Saturday 29th April rain, by torrents all day - the roads awfully bad - this afternoon, Frans, Cuvillier & Larkins a Theodore, came to us on a visit -

Cuvillier is looking admirably well - we were delighted to see him - he gave us, much happy tidings about his Lady and my dear little nieces - to-night, it continues to pour with rain - all the snow, has again, disappeared - I sincerely hope, we shall not see any more, of it, before next winter - Henri, is still very gouty, although, he says, he is better - Mamma is much better -

Sunday 30th April - very cloudy all day, but very mild, a great many people at Sturte - the water very high - Professor Aubin came to dine with us to Cire, & remained to sleep - Henri has a slight attack of the gout in his foot - this, I hope, will be, the last attack, he will, however, be deprived of going about, for some time - it looks, very much like rain again - after vespers, we have been commanded the Rosary of Mass - may I obtain all the graces, I have asked to the Mother of God -

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Monday 1st May This morning it poured with rain
continually, left at 5 o'clock A.M. Thomas took him
to St John's, in Henri's Concord waggon — Mr Lash
left by the stage — his le cure is gone to
St Athanase, en route, for Montreal & Hyacinthe.
He left after luncheon — Henri is very much
better — he is, not at all lame, to-day — James,
lives out doors — he finds the air so pure
so good — Theodore is about, amusing himself
the back-water is so strong — they have stopped
the saw mill till to-morrow at noon —
when, they hope, to be able to renew this sawing —
the roads awfully bad, every where — as for
the plank-road, it is impassable —

Mammal very much better — my dear
chicks — in perfect health — Henri feels
so much better — he went out this afternoon —
it is very mild & pleasant —

Miss Fitzgerald arrived, whilst we were
at dinner — he says the roads are awfully bad —
dear Billy made the Prayers of the Month Heavy —
he felt a little tired, at first —
the Mail only arrives very late at night —
we get our Letters, in the morning — new regulations
from to-day —

Tuesday 2^d May - a most lovely day - quite summer temperature - Miss Litzgerald left this morning at 5 o'clock for St Athanase. Henri continues very much better - he goes about, once more, as usual - he was away out yesterday & to-day - the roads are drying in sun - the water, is very light - it is delightful weather, so renovating - it is looking so green & pretty - John is working in full earliest - no time to be lost - the vegetation, is coming on, so rapidly - Mairi went out yesterday and to-day, on the platform, to breathe fresh air - I took a walk after dinner, with my dear children for the first time this season - the frogs were croaking, in every direction

Wednesday 3^d May - It was very warm to-day, summer temperature - the roads are drying - I drove down to the Falls, with Henri - I found the roads awful - although, not, very muddy - I have a good many sick, on my list - Henri continues better - he has, resumed, his usual evocations -

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Thursday 4th May - Fine & bright in the forenoon - Showery in the afternoon - the roads quite dry, but very rough, a great many holes - after breakfast with Moore, his Papa down to the Falls - after luncheon, he took him out, in another direction - Mr le Ceré arrived from Montreal, a few moments before dinner - he did not go to St. Hyacinthe - having met ^{with} the Bishop, at Montreal - the travelling, in that direction, not being very agreeable - I have been very busy to-day - I got the office stove, & the sitting-room stove, taken down, also the one in the Dairy - the venne-menage of the store-room, is made - I remained all day - a great many people at Prayers - every thing, is very backward, this season -

Friday 5th May - Fine & bright in the forenoon - Showery in the afternoon - the roads, drying very fast, but very rough - one of the Engineers came to speak to Henry, about the rail-road (in contemplation) - I am not well to-day - I went out, as usual - John commenced Planting a few trees, nipping, here & there -

Saturday⁵ ~~to~~ May - Quite cold to-day, it froze hard last night - strong N.W. wind - so cold, we feel it, the more, after having enjoyed, clear sunshine, with its annual warmth - it was renovating, after, our long bleak winter - however, here, we are again with cold, piercing cold weather - This morning the passage stove was blazing in full earnest, when the chimney took fire - it burnt for a long time - with great intensity - we all got up, in alarm - the chimneys are good - there was no danger - it snowed this morning - Willa Caro returned from church - frozen - what weather for the season! is it not distressing every thing so backward - it blew a perfect hurricane, accompanied with snow this forenoon - to-night 3 degrees colder - is it not shocking it a gelé a glace - la nuit dernière -

Sunday⁶ ~~to~~ May - Fine & bright, but cold, this morning 4 degrees cold - a strong wind all day - a great many people at church - This morning when I went to church - it looked, a felt like December weather - Henn experienced, a severe pain of gout, in his same foot - thank heavens, it did not last, this morning, he was

better, it was about mid-night, when he suffered
so much - he did not go out to-day -
the public Catechism commenced to-day -
a great many people attended - after vespers,
Willy & I went out to exercise, with their
hobos - dear children, they are in perfect health

Monday <sup>8th May. a lovely day - beautiful clear
sunshine - the temperature so much
warmer, than, these few days past -
after luncheon, James & Theodore left by
the stage, for Montreal - the roads
perfectly dry - after dinner, the children
& I went out to take a long walk, we
also went to the Saw Mill - which, is in
full operation - a glorious sun-set -
appearance of delightful weather, for
to-morrow - 7 degrees heat, to-night
Henry much better, out, all day - as usual
we feel lousy, without James, he is
always so gay - such good company -
I had an awful headache, this afternoon -</sup>

Tuesday <sup>9th May - a perfect summer's day - so warm,
I left off my velvet bonnet & waded clothes, to go
to church, this afternoon - Henri continues well -
God grant, he may enjoy perfect health -
after dinner I went out with Billy a cow, we
took our usual evening walk - it is cloudy
to-night - appearance of rain - John finished
replacing, the dead trees - to-day - Mamona
is very much better - she took a little air, on
the platform - she is weak, she cannot go
far - the grass, is looking beautifully green
every where -</sup>

Wednesday <sup>10th May - very warm all day - south wind -
rain in the evening - the grass is coming out
so beautifully every where - Mamona, not so
well to-day - pains, in her back - Billy a cow so
gay & happy - Cows, is already so, sun-burnt -
as soon as their school hour, is over, they are out -
playing - a great many people, at Prayers
to-night - the Farmer commenced to sow to-day
in full earnest -</sup>

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Thursday 11th May - very warm all day - a bright sun - This morning at six o'clock we b. Lucie & Willy went down to La Rochelle's to fish - they took a basket of provisions returned only about 3 o'clock - with a quantity of perchanders - delighted with their day's excursion - Joseph & Aubin came in, whilst we were at lunch he returned home in the afternoon - Henri went to the grand'line, to meet the surveyor of the contemplated rail-road - Mammar is not well - Caro amused herself with her Nadeau all day - Matilde went to town this morning - Chatelau drove her to St John's, & I sent him in to town - to get some flower seeds from Lysman's - my English seeds, not being arrived - I could wait no longer - he returned at 8 o'clock to-night - I took a long walk after dinner - such a perfect beautiful moonlight night; I stood gazing at the beautiful moon - lovely weather to night -

Friday 12th May. a perfect summer's day - very warm - I got the blinds put up, every where - it is delightful to breathe fresh air - Willy & Cato are in perfect health - Henni went to Stanbridge village this afternoon - Mamma is better - a lovely evening - a glorious sunset - such fine growing weather - appearance of continuance of this weather for some time -

Saturday 13th May - very very warm, August weather - for a wonder, I took a long drive to day - I went with Henni as far as Stanbridge village - I had not been there, since nine years - I found it much improved - a number of good buildings - the roads, rough, a full of holes - had it not drove, in the Concord waggon - I would not have enjoyed my drive - we left after Lunch, & returned in time for the Prayers of the Month Mary - Henni went down to the Lake - after his long drive with me - he is fatigued to-night - I went to see a pretty stagore, made by an American young lady, in leather work, very nicely executed - to night there is 14 degrees heat - Fuller's long sticks, cannot pass over, our dam, the water

having lowered - our river, is covered with them - Raymond is still at work - to enlarge the pier's building, to get the steamboat out - it looks like rain, to-night - the leaves, are just commencing to expand - this day's heat, has brought them forward -

Sunday 14th May. it has been much cooler to-day, still, very pleasant - a little springy rain this afternoon - only for a few moments - a great many people attended church to-day - a great number, remain, for Catharine a vespers - the roads are good - Hann is well - he went to church this morning - Mammie is as usual - make a frail - Willie & Caro take much exercise, playing ball - dear children, they both enjoy perfect health - how very thankful, I feel for such a boon - a few mosquito's, have made their appearance

Monday 15th May - it rained in the night, & again early this morning, at 10 o'clock a.m. the weather cleared up beautiful & bright - a pleasant temperature not too warm - after luncheon, we le lire left for the atmosphere, in route, for Montreal & Hyacinthe - he takes the first car in the morning - Henry & Billy went down to the Falls, this afternoon - Mammona is not at all well to-night - he feels oppreseed - - Billy acted as vicar, he made the prayers of the Mouthe Mary - he will continue to do so, until we le lire re turn -

Tuesday 16th May - beautiful & fair all day - not very warm - much cooler, than last week - I consumed my spring sevne meage to-day - which is a busy affair - before every noth a rooth is in perfect order - This morning at a past five o clock, Henry left for Montreal - Thomas drove him, & went in, also to get his measure taken for a suit of new clothes - Billy seems as if he were a little poverish - he has no appetite - looks, dim, dull - I fear he has taken cold - Caro is well - Mammona is better - a lovely clear sky - appearance of a continuation of fine weather for sometime.

Wednesday 17th May - very very warm - a
tremendous strong south wind - parching up
very sting - George Fitzgerald came
from Durham to see you cure, was much
disappointed to find him absent —
he dined with us, & returned home
immediately after — Bill is not well —
he feels languid - weak, debilitated —
he requires change of air — he did not
come to church, this afternoon — I said
the prayers of the Month Mary, in his stead —
it is blowing a perfect hurricane, to-night —
it looks like rain — I am fatigued this evening,
I have been, so much, on my feet to-day —
commenced putting on the Linen, to keep
out, the Mosquitos — there were a great
many of them to-night — what a drawback,
to the enjoyments, of the country, at this season —

Thursday 18th May - rain rain all day - it has done so much good - the forage is expanded so beautifully, this warm rain, makes the grass grow abundantly - it was much needed - Stein returned from Iowa, this morning at eleven o'clock - having left at six o'clock in the morning the wads are very bad, after so much rain - he brought us the melancholy news, of the burning of the Cuiché at St Agacinte, also of fifteen houses in the village - how very much I feel for our poor Bishop! who is deprived, of his own residence - Le Curé was there, during the fire - we expect him, to-morrow - he will give us, the details, of this sad conflagration - Stein, is tired, he retired, early - to-night, it is pouring with rain -

Friday 19th May. a delightful bright day - fine sun - shine - about one o'clock Mr le Curé returned from Montigat - Messire Dupuis brought him from Hathaus. Le Curé tells us, the Bishop is well, he bears his loss, with his usual pious resignation - poor dear Willy, suffers from the tooth-ache - dear boy I pity him - Mammie is much better - appearance of fine weather for to-morrow - Matilde returned from Moulmein to-night at 11 o'clock by the stage -

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Saturday 20th May. a fine day - rather cool --
the roads quite dry again - I finished putting
on the linous on the blinds to day - to keep
out the Mosquitos, if possible - there are
a great many - Lutter, has a gang, of
men, driving down, the long sticks, over
our dam - they are in the water, from
morning, till night - having much
difficulty to get them over - it is quite
chilly to-night -

Sunday 21st May - very very cool for the
season - only a few moments of warm sun -
a great many people at church, both at Mass
& vespers - the river is quite clear - no logs,
or any thing else, to impede, a free navigation
Machinery continues better - I made up
Henry's postman to go to Montreal, Wednesday,
intend, going to Montreal, early to-morrow
morning - Wind a weather permitting -
however, I do not think, we shall go - there
is great appearance of rain to-night -
chilly & cold, N & wind -

Monday 22nd May quite cool - a perfect autumnal day - in print temperature - last night it blew a perfect hurricane, such a heavy shower of rain it did not last long, fortunately - we found it so damp, the threatening this m^orning, we did not venture on our journey to town - perhaps, to-morrow - ~~He~~ ^{He} rode to Bedford, this afternoon - he returned fatigued, having a disagreeable bad ~~old~~ horse - I took down the stove in the Servant's Hall, to day - to-night it is quite cold - I am almost tempted to make fire in the passage stove - I regret, mine, is taken down - ~~He~~ ^{He} told me, as much, when I took it down - Billy & L^ow enjoy themselves very evening, playing ball - dear Chicks! They are so joy & happy - it was quite showery this afternoon, it hail - L^ow ran out, to bring me a piece, before it melted -

Tuesday 23rd May. Henri & I left for Montreal this morning at 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ past five - fine clear weather, bright sun & shine, but very cool for the season - we took the first train at 9 o'clock reached town, at a $\frac{1}{4}$ past ten - I fulfilled my list - went to the Musée de Marie at six o'clock P.M. - I was so tired to close up, in the evening - I did not go, sur la côte, as I usually do - I retired early - packed up, in full readiness for the next morning - to leave by the first boat - no ships, yet arrived - no, new goods - I must return here again shortly -

Wednesday 24th May. Delightful weather - so bright & beautiful, still, coolish - Henri & I left town this morning at 6 o'clock reached Lachapelle - at a quarter after nine o'clock A.M. - including, stoppages - we were 3 hours & a quarter, in route - my dear children were so happy to see me home again - I found Francis, suffering from a fracture, in his foot - Franner much better - the country is looking so beautiful, so luxuriant - often gave the lawn a sweeping - it looks quite nice - I found the house so cool,

when I arrived, I got fire made in the passage stove —

Thursday 25th May ascension day — rain by torrents, all day — notwithstanding, Mamie went to Mass — for the first time since February — she is so very much better — a great many people at church — a great number received — it was quite edifying — Willy did not go to vespers — he did not feel well — Francis suffers very much from his foot — the inflammation, seems to increase — it is, old & chilly — I regret, having taken down my bed — worm stove —

Friday 26th May — This morning, it was dark a cloudy — about mid-day, it cleared up — the weather was delightful — although coolish — I corresponded, with four of my friends to-day — It was a letter writing day — for me — poor Francis suffers excruciatingly to-night — I hope the Dr will come to-morrow — Mamie has written for him to come up — Willy went with me to Cave in the steamboat as far as Truckee — this is the second trip — I hope it will warm to-morrow — the garden, looks, clean & tidy —

since last Tuesday they saw, but, with the
single gate — it is over for the season —
the gangs are stopped —

Saturday 27th May — a lovely summer's day — fine
bright sun — Mamma went to church this
morning — early to receive — how thoughtful, I am to
see her, so very much better — Dr Wright came
up to see Francis — he lanced his foot — he
suffers less — he has prescribed, a little medicine for
Willy — who is weak & languid — he acquires a
little brightening — Then he goes down the
falls in his waggon — Thomas, exercises those fiery
Mares every day — I do not like them — they are
too Spirited, for me —

Sunday 28th May — a most delightful day — a very
great many people at church all day — mamma
continues to be able to attend church — the Oak
does not fatigue her — poor Francis, suffers,
his foot is still much swollen — I continue
to put on poultices of oat-meal, on the underwattle

part of his foot, where the doctor lanced it —
I find it rather cool to-night — Willy & Caro are
playing ball — their usual exercise after dinner
after Vespers, Henri, Willy, Caro, and I went in the
steamboat as far as Three Rivers — we let Care always
pilot it, so nicely — I thought, it worked prettier
this year, than usual — I took my first trip
this afternoon —

Monday 29th May — Pleasant weather — warm at
midday — but cold in the morning — a white frost —
the roads dry & hard — after Luncheon, Henri
went to Bedford — Marie care left for the
Bay — France of the Mission — Francis's foot
is wounding, but slowly — he keeps his bed — cannot
put ^{it} down — it is so painful — Marianne walks
about the garden — she is quite herself, again —
my dear Willy, is not well — he coughs — he took 189th
jalap with legs calomel to-night — I hope, it will
do him good — Caro is a merveille — I find it
very cool for the season — the country, is looking
beautiful —

Tuesday 30th May a piercing N.W. wind all day - quite cold & chilly - with all a fine clear sunshine - François' foot, is better - dear Willy is better, although, he coughs very much - Mammie has a sore eye - she has been deprived of reading to-day - she will be home before luncheon - Nadeau is making the washing of the church linen - she commenced yesterday -

Hann went to Bedford again, to-day -

Thomas took Isaacs to the pub, this morning at five o'clock, with the Mares - he brought back my four bedsteads & a roll of carpetting - I put up, the new bedsteads to-morrow - it is quite cold, to-night - although, we had a glorious sunset -

Wednesday 31st May - quite cold, last night it froze in full earnest - a la glace - we have lost, all our fine vines, which, were full of fruit - all my beautiful Chattias, upwards of a hundred of them - the potatoes were also nipped by the frost - the egg plants, the pepper plants - it is a perfect dissolution, to see all the fine plants, thus destroyed - what a

skimmed; this morning it was so cold, that, to go to church, I tied a kerchief on my ears, wore my cloche over my blanket shawl — we had a light meal pour la cloche du mois de Marie — I had asked for it — Henri attended — Francis is better — although, he still keeps his bed, he found it so cold, to-day — he did not like to get up — he reached his lophus, with some difficulty, even on crutches — it is really very cold to-night — dear silly enough, he is weak, pale, altered — dear boy — I pray a hope, he will soon be, quite himself again — I took down, the prophage stove to-day —

Thursday, 1st June not so cold, as yesterday — the sun bright & warmer, still, I cannot say it was very warm — I felt chilly this afternoon — thank goodness, to the exception, of Mamma's room — the whole of the verme menage, is made — Francis is better, still he did not like to venture, downstairs, to-day, he spent, an hour, on his lophus — I hope, he will be able, to leave his room to-morrow — Henri went to Bedford after luncheon — this morning after breakfast, he & I asked Mamma to go in the steamboat — we went down to the boat, in the Cab — we went

as far as Quebec - we enjoyed our promenade
very much - the river was so calm - the air
so sweet and balmy - dear Willy is better -
he does not cough so much - it is cold
to-night - water very low - stopped sawing, during
the day - commences again at mid-night -

Friday 2nd June a lovely warm day - Francis
endeavored to scrabble downstairs on his crutch
the best way he could - he remained downstairs
till just eight o'clock to-night - he is weak
& altered, his ^{foot} painful, when he tries to rest on
it - Willy is not yet, as well, as I would wish
to see him - he took a little rhubarb to-night -
Major Litzgerald came down to see
Mr le Cere to-day, he returned to Dunham
in the afternoon - Willy & I also went to take
a drive, as far as the Falls - I have a head-ache
to-night - swarms of mosquitoes this evening -

Saturday 3rd June - very very warm to-day —
the sun, so hot — a great many people at church
this morning, — à la cérémonie de l'eaue bénite.
Willy is much better, although a little weak —
Frank is better, he cannot yet, rest, on his
foot — it is so painful — every thing is drying
up — for want of a little rain — mamma is
well — Henry, continues to take a great deal
of exercise, he is always on the go —
to-night, at 12 past ten o'clock — Barnes and
Whicker arrived by the stage — we were
so delighted to see them — they surprised us
most agreeably, as we did not expect them —

Sunday 4th June — another, very warm day —
a great many people, at church — last night,
at mid-night, Mr le Cure went to the Bay
on a sick call — it was four o'clock a.m.
when he returned — he had ^{had} a day of fatigue —
Monsieur St Aubin came to dine with Mr le Cure,
after dinner, we went to Rueye in the steamboat —
Monsieur St Aubin returned home after his trip.
dear Willy is very much better, he went to church
came up to the organ — Whicker played so prettily,

Francis still suffers from his foot - I fear it will ^{be} long healing — dear Law, is well — the mosquitoes, are by myriades —

Monday 5th June. a very pleasant day — this afternoon the weather became rather cooler — it looks threatening — I fear rain for to-morrow — it will be a disappointment to Will & Law — &c, we are all packed — to leave early, in the morning for Montreal — Francis is better — Henri went to Bedford this afternoon — Robinson has come to repair the underneath of the church — we will say Mass in the vestry for the week — it really looks like rain to-night —

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Monday 6th June - I left this morning for Montreal,
with Henry, James, Webster, and my own
children - It was cold and cloudy - however,
we reached town, at 1^o past ten ⁶ o'clock a.m.
without rain - unusually cold all day -
thus I returned home this afternoon, by the
five o'clock boat - I went with the children,
on the Champ de Mars to hear the band of the <sup>26th
M^{rs} Perrault having had the kindness to come for
me in her carriage - it was blowing such
a piercing wind, from the W. E. - we did not
remain long - we hurried back home - Willy
& Caw were frozen - what weather, for the season!
we wrap with shawls - a still, fine it still -</sup>

Wednesday 7th June - rain by torrents - a so
cold - we are perplexed with cold - still, I
continue to fulfill my list - which is a long one,
I took a cab for the day - Went to Bourseours
heard Monsieur Laroque's Mass - who, had just
arrived from Quebec - after which, Willy & Caw
made all their little purchases - I am so
tired to-night - very cold - rain rain -

Thursday ^{the} June - again, rain by torrents -
it fell so heavily all night - cold, damp -
it cannot be told, how cold a disagreeable, it is -
I have been very busy to-day - this morning
I went to make a visitation to Bourgeois -
I heard such delightful singing - the organ
is such most beautiful - such, a rich tone -
I also had the pleasure of hearing a delightful sermon
from Monsieur le Supérieur - He preaches
so feelingly - You be sure arrived by the 10 o'clock
boat - in the afternoon - we all went to visit,
that, magnificent church, of the Père Blat's
Église St Pierre - it is the finest church,
in all the Canadas - if, not, even, on the
continent of North America - the style, the elegance,
the stained glass - all, is perfection -
it is altogether, in the gothic style - giving a
pas de St Pierre, a view on -
You be sure returned to St Athanase - by the
five o'clock boat - it still rains -

Friday 9th June - Encore une pluie d'averse - is it not, too bad? here we are, again with ^{rain}, since four days - constant, bad, a cold weather - Willy & Cao - are not well - they feel, the effects, of this horrible weather - notwithstanding this rain, cold, a damp temperature poor Henri, arrived early this morning, to fetch me how kind of him - I sincerely hope & trust, he will not feel, any bad effects, from travelling, in such fearful weather - I went up, sur la côte, took luncheon with M^r Perrault - dear Monon was 10 years old to-day - she is a dear sweet child, so clever - so good, so kind a obedient - she is a great favorite of mine - Duding is always pretty a rascal, but deMonteure ok, looking so well -

Saturday 10th June - we all left town this morning at six precisely - James, was up, to bid us good bye - he made his many bows with his right cap - Henry & Theodore, came to see us on board the boat - a disagreeable drizzling rain - all day - the plank road fearfully bad - we had such a shaking over it - it fairly gave me a violent headache - I am glad to have got home - Willy & Cao are very tired,

so am I - I can hardly sit up —
I found manners quite well - France
so much better — it is astonishing — the
quantity rain — which, has fallen — it
will prove very beneficial to the country —
the crops are looking well — so refreshed —
after the threatening wrong — they
repaid underneath the attai — this week —
I am glad they have done it —

Sunday 17th June — how cheering, to see the
sun come out! it enlivens — the temperature
has been delightful to-day — a great many
people at church — Mr. Le line, went
beyond the Bay — immediately, after Mass,
on a fish call — he only returned at yr just
three o'clock — the people, were all waiting
for vespers — he only sang Sabot — & said
the Prayers of the Sacred Heart of Jesus —
after dinner, Billy a Can went, with Mr. Le line
in the steamboat — there is appearance of fine
weather for to-morrow — still, it is cool
for the season —

Monday 12th June - very warm all day - it was quite
delightful - after so much cold weather - the sun
was out bright & beautiful - Henni went to Bedford
to - day - the roads are drying fast - the garden
is overgrown, with weeds, since, the rain -
Mosquited, by myriads - Francis, limps about -
Mamma is well - dear Caro has a head-ache
to - night - I hope she will be all right to - morrow -
they are now sawing for the mill - which is going
under a thorough repair - in a few days -

Tuesday 13th June - a warm summer day,
a hot sun - Willy & Caro went to the falls
after breakfast - Caro is not well - I gave her
Castor oil this afternoon - Henni went out with
Willy after luncheon - they went as far as
this - they made quite a tour -
Purle line went to Henryville to - day -
he returned for dinner - Francis does not
improve very fast - it is long and tedious -
very warm to - night -

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Wednesday 14th June. - lovely weather - this evening it was nice and cool - Caro is much better - I laid down a handsome new carpet, in Francis's bed-room - to-day - Francis continues better -

I have been very busy all day - I am fatigued - appearance of fine weather for some days -

Thursday 15th June - late dinner. Last night it rained and thundered, that is, in the middle of the night - it was fine, this morning - a great many people, attended church - the altar was beautiful, the new set of flowers, are very handsome - this afternoon, the weather began warm & oppressive - showing, thunder, now & then - appearance of rain - Henry is suffering from a rheumatic pain, between his shoulders - I hope he will be all right again - to-morrow he has some thoughts, of going to town early in the morning - Willy & Caro are both well - Francis, much the same - he is on the mend - Mamma continues quite well -

Friday 16th June - what a change in the temperature, quite cold to-day - obliged to wear, winter clothing, almost, Caro, wore her woolen dress with her stockings - poor Henry passed a most dreadful night, with most exacerbating, rheumatic pains in his neck a shoulder, & down his back - this morning, he felt, a little relieved, but, to-night, he is again in great pain - I have applied linapins of mustard at different times - he has taken a blue pill & 35 drops oleum - I sincerely hope - he will be better to-morrow - Willy knew his trouble, as far as Stolicker lot - he improves daily - Dear Caro is not well - she is looking pale, I fear, she has taken cold - cold autumnal weather - to-night - N. E. wind all day

Saturday 17th June. It has been cool a pleasant all day - the fire in the woods, makes a constant dense fog, as it were - it is so perfectly smoky - the sun is as red as fire - since some days - Thomas went to town this morning, returned early this evening - James & the boys are well - Henry is much better - I hope he will be all night to-morrow - Caro, is still delicate - she is altered, to-morrow night I will make her, take a little rhubarbe - I hope it will be fine, for the procession - this morning 48 children, made their 1st Communion -

Sunday 28th June - Procession Sunday — we had
most delightful weather for this grand Festival -
we never had such a magnificent Procession,
as this year - the order and arrangement of it
all - was perfection - the Coup Voil, was most
beautiful - I never witnessed, such a crowd
of strangers - they, of course, remained, in the
high way - as the Procession only passed, on
our own private property - the whole, walk
was so nicely mowed - lined, with pretty trees,
on each side, of the road - we had no band -
it was preferable - they sang very nicely
all the time - this evening the weather is
cool - Mr. H. Rubin, came in to dinner, a
few minutes before six - he returned home
immediately after dear Caro is not well -
she has taken cold - I am tired, to night -
Mr. Le Lure, ought to be done up - he has
had a fatiguing day of it -

Monday 29th June - very warm all day -
appearance of rain, this afternoon - Francis is
getting his sheep, sheared - Caro is not well -
I will give a little rhubarb to night -
poor Nadeau - is tired out - he has had, so

much to do, since a number days - Henni is very
much better, from his rheumatic pain - he goes
about as usual -

Tuesday 20th June - a delightful day - by no means too
warm - Henni went to Bedford this afternoon -

This morning early - Thomas, went to town an errand,
he returned at seven P. M. - James & the boys all well -
Marumma is wonderfully well - Cao very much
better - the 10 gts of slubadec a loda she took last evening
did her, much good - I put on the summer covering
in any sitting room to-day - it looks so cool &
fresh - Frances goes about, every where - hopping,
in pooco - the roads are good -

Wednesday 21st June - This morning it was very
cool - Henni left for town at 4 just five o'clock a.m.
he was buttoned, up to his throat - what singular
weather, for the season! Cao is quite right again
with a mervelle - I sent in Lampe to town
this morning - I fancy he will return, but, late
to-night - I have such an increase in
my poultry yard - no less than 53 little ducklings,

and still hope, for a few more, also 51 young
turkeys — I have already purchased 21 young
chickens — almost, fit, for table — it is again,
quite cool to-night — Lucie, is sitting out
smoking, his pipe-willy & Caro are with him,
they are both wrapped, as in winter — Caro,
has her cloak on, a willy his winter paletot —
he wore, his cloth chauffer, all day — how
very cool for the season, damp, & disagreeable —

Friday 23 June

Thursday 22nd June — Cloudy, threatening rain, all
day, a few drops, fell in the afternoon. Musine Dufur
arrived about five o'clock P.M. he comes for the
Feast of to-morrow, Musine M. Aubin, but also
came for the same purpose — then arrived from
town a few moments before dinner — he brought
me a handsome Palmer Lamp for the library —
Thamet, brought my Cases — with my Davenport
and all my nice affairs from London —
my Caps, bonnet & Dresses are very pretty — Caro's
bonnet, is also very nice — I hope it will
be fine weather, for to-morrow —

Friday 23rd June Fête du Sacré Coeur — This morning it was raining — Obliged to go to church, in the église — Manma, Willy, Lao, and I, went early to receive — a great many people received — at least a hundred and sixty — we had a very nice Feast — a beautiful Mass — before Dupuis officiated — the altar was splendidly decorated — we dined, at four o'clock — Henri had brought, a most delicious Salmon — after dinner, Dupuis returned to the athénée, and Dupuis & Aubin to his home — Le Curé, is fatigued to-night — Manma is not well, to night, & fear, she has taken cold — it was showery, this afternoon — it is coolish & damp, this evening —

Saturday 24th June — This morning we had rain — the roads, being windy — whilst, we were at Lundea, Mr. De Montenach, Mr. Perrault & daughter, Miss Civilin, little Emma Pitchard, the Superior of the Providence, a la Sœur Ange Gardien (Miss Thompson) all arrived to pay us a visit — they were returning from Burlington — I was so happy to see them all — such delightful visitors — La Vielle Supérieure — is a most charming person — so is la Sœur Ange Gardien — I feel so happy to receive them —

I hope the weather, will prove fine, during their short stay — I took them all over the establishment, they were particularly pleased, with my Uncle Theron is a dear child — so full of life — so intelligent. Little Emma, is also a nice child — I rejoice to see the De Montenash's they are, old friends — whom I esteem very much — Mamma is so happy to see them —

Sunday 25th June — Cloudy threatening all day — we had a most beautiful Mass — La Saure Range Garden sang it all — at the organ — such a sweet melodious voice — I never heard before — at the Elevation, she sang "Béau île" it was divine — dear little Nell, how sweetly, she sings! — the Mass, again; at Sabut — the altar, was very nicely decorated — my friends, admired it very much — after vespers, we went in the steam boat — the sun came out so bright & beautiful — our promenade — was most agreeable — it is quite COLD, to-night — I almost, regret, I have no means, of making fire —

Monday 25th June This morning at 3/4 past five - all
our three Party, left us for Montreal - I regretted,
to see them go, so soon - Thomas took them
in my travelling carriages as far as St John's -
they arrived in time, to take the first train -
fortunately, they reached, without rain, as it did
not commence to fall, before the afternoon
after Lunelou - our good Curé, left, for
M Athanase - to meet, there, the Bishop of Agawam
and accompany him, during his visitation, of
the different Parishes - which, will last, for
at least, four long weeks - how much, we will,
have to lure - The children, have commenced
their vacations from to-day - this afternoon
it has been pouring rain - and so cold a
disagreeable this morning, to go to Mass. I wore
a thick shawl a my cloak over - I was frozen -
What extraordinary weather for the season -
Caro has a pain in her knee - I hope, it is a
growing pain -

Tuesday 27th June - The weather fine & clear, but, not, too warm - flying Clouds, now & then - Tilly & Caro report to take a drive, to the Falls, after breakfast - after luncheon - I am weak - I am not well - a violent pain in my chest -

Wednesday 28th June - very showery all day - a great deal of Thunder - a heavy shower - very warm - at moments, then cold again - trying weather for the constitution - Miss Clement, arrived here this evening by the stage - he comes to officiate to-morrow a Sunday he brought us the bad intelligence, of Cholera, being in Montreal - several cases had already, proved fatal - Wobisher writes me, that W-Hall died, in six hours - God, grant, we may be spared of this horrible malady - it has made me quite nervous to hear, this awful news - it is very worlsh, this evening -

Thursday 29th June, a great many people, attended church to-day - how very much we miss our Curi - he is at H George this afternoon - the Bishop, is very weak and delicate - it is doubtful, he will be well enough, to continue his visitation - weather disagreeable, cold and cloudy -

Friday 30th June - Rain, by torrents all day - cold &
disagreeable - the roads will be so muddy after
this - I have been very busy writing this afternoon -
I was, backward, with my correspondents -
my dear children are quite well - I have a
headache -

Saturday 1st July - a lovely day - fine, bright sunshine
this morning at ten o'clock, Henri & I left for
St George on a visit to Messeur le Aubin, to the
Bishop and our Cure - we arrived there,
before service, was over - we were delighted
to find the Bishop, looking so much better -
the Cure had taken cold, he coughs - we found
Messeur le Aubin, Prestbyter, so pretty a comfortable-
very nicely got up - we took dinner, with all
these Gentlemen - Monsieur le grand vicaire Crivier,
a Messeur Prévost, Cure of St Charles, - a very nice
dinner, we had - all so good and well tasted -
we were enchanted with our visit - we visited
the church - which is ^a beautiful conifice - when we
returned home, we found the roads, quite dry -
Hon^{ble} Mr Moore, was awaiting Henri's return - he

remained to dinner & returned over him, immediately after - a lovely evening - all appearance of fine weather, for to-morrow - I am feel tired, after my long drive - the horses went beautifully -

Sunday 2nd July - Benediction of the Bell at St. Alexandre -

a most lovely day - we left for St. Alexandre at 12 past two - before noon being over - when we arrived the Bishop, was not yet in sight - some time after our arrival - we espied, an immense crowd, coming along - some driving, others riding - there were a great number, with flags - the coup d'ail, was most beautiful, then, came the Bishop, in a very nice carriage - Capt. Fortin's equipage & all the suite following - the alighted, at a very neat cottage, all decorated, with green boughs - the concourse, was immense - it cannot be told - they all knelt, most respectfully - to receive the blessing of their first Pastor - who is so kind, so mild - so affectionate to his numerous flock - he is the beloved Father of us all - on his arrival, his Lordship stepped & the clergy came for him, to make his entry in the church - he first blessed it - & then proceeded, to the blessing of the Bell -

for which both, Willy & Caro stood sponsors - it was a long
imposing ceremony - after the Bishop, very the, were
requested, to come & sing it, and of course, offer their mite -
I hope the collection was good - those good enterprising
habitants of St Alexandre - deserve great praise, they have
accomplished so much - in a short time -
after the ceremony was over - the Bishop, with
Nunsie Brevier, Henri, and Willy & Caro left, in my
carriage for La Gravaisson - I came on, with
Nunsie St Aubin, in a most comfortable waggon -
a big beautiful horse Charley - the Cure came on
with Chateau - we all arrived at eight o'clock P.M -
I was so happy, so favoured, to have the honor of
receiving the Bishop - it was, une visite d'amitié -
which, we all very much appreciated - it was
also most delightful, to see our kind Cure - even
on a flying visit - the Bishop, is looking, so
very much better - Willy & Caro, retired, very late,
this evening - this day, had been, quite all went,
for them - they will, ever, remember, this ceremony
with delight.

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Monday 3rd July very warm, flying clouds, now a
thin cloud this morning at 7 a.m. just six o'clock —
the Bishop, Mr. Le Cire & Grigivre Review —
all left for Mr. Alexander Thomas, drove them
down, in my large carriage — I regretted to
see them leave us, so soon — however —
I must feel thankful, even, for the visit of
last evening — the Bishop, was looking well &
refreshed, after his fatigue, of yesterday — I feel very
lonely to-day — Billy & Carlo are quite well & happy —

Henry & Billy went down to the Falls — they complained
of the heat — the wounds are good —
Mammie is well — we have a beautiful
bouquet of roses — at this moment — commenced cleaning
the Church to-day — grand renovation —

Tuesday 4th July — intense heat — a little rain this
afternoon, hardly enough to lay the dust — it is
the warmest day — we have had this summer
I sent an express to Mr. Grigivre this afternoon —
with letters to the Bishop, addressed to
Henry's care — I also wrote to Mr. Le Cire —
it will be showery during the night — all appear-
ance of it — I had a cough — a headache
at night — Mr. Lovkins has just come in, from

Montreal - James & the family are all well —

Wednesday 5th July - perfect lovely weather - not too
warm - a more pleasant temperature - this morning
~~when~~ we went to church, with Caro - I found it, cool enough
to put on my shawl - what a change, since yesterday,
when the heat was so intense - one, could hardly
breathe - a beautiful clear sunshine all day -
Henn left immediately after breakfast, with Mr Lashin
to go to Bedford, and from there to Dunham -
They returned a few minutes before dinner time -
a perfect lovely evening - I even find it a
little coolish - I am not well, I have a severe
Influenza - I had the pleasure of receiving a note, from
our kind Curé - he is quite well —

Thursday 6th July - a continuance of delightful
weather - early this morning Mr Lashin left for
Montreal - Hippolyte & Aubin came early this
morning - to our shanty, the service - from the
petit Saguenay - he remained to spend the day -
we had another burial also one christening - he
returned home, in the cool of the evening -
I still suffer, from the Influenza - Henn went to the
Very, with Willy - they found it very warm -

Mr. Jones called to see Henri, and much disappointed at not finding him at home — my dear children are quite well — Cholera, I hear, is on the increase, in Montreal —

Sunday 7th July — very warm — beautiful bright weather — the crops are looking so abundant & luxuriant — how thankful we must all be, to Divine Providence to favour us — so the heat, is intense to-day — I am a little better although, I still cough — the roads here, are beautiful Henri got them thoroughly repaired — a lovely evening — Henri went to the Bay yesterday

Saturday 8th July — the heat has been very intense — a few drops of rain fell, in the forenoon — still, not enough to lay the dust — this afternoon they came to inform us that poor Raymond was taken with the Cholera, he crossed from town in the morning — was weak, he could not even walk across the bridge, to reach St. Athanase, he

was taken there, by some charitable person - put in an abandoned house, & died there, the Dr gave him something, to take, but, it was too late - the malady was incurable - the desolation, of this poor widow is not to be told - left penniless - with fine children - and expecting to be refined, from one day to another - how dreadful! he is such a great loss, to us - he was so useful, in every way - such a capital workman - so ingenious - how deplorable he died, without, wishing, to receive the consolation of Religion - Griefie Dupont, went to him, but, in vain - he would not comfort himself with the word of God! poor miserable man! Henry was at Bedford, when I heard, of this sad event - we were so agreeably surprised to see the beloved Pere Thrix, arrive, he is come, to abide with us for ten days - what a blessing - he tells us, Cholera is proving more a more fatal, every day - we are all, so anxious about fatigue to his Boys - we cannot fancy, what, keeps him, from coming to us - I am not well - constant pain in my chest & between my shoulders - mamma & my dear children, are in perfect health - send Henry a Francis, God grant, we may continue so -

a lovely evening - poor Raymond had been called to Montreal - ~~as~~ to attend on the grand jury - poor man, he felt bad, of going -

Sunday ^{9th July - very warm - beautiful sun - a great many people at church - the Reverend Pere - made a most beautiful sermon - he is such a clever man - he speaks beautifully, so eloquent - such a fine clear voice - his audience, had, ecstasies - after service, Henri went to see poor Raymond's widow - poor woman, her grief, is without bounds - poor little children!}

Monday 10th July - a most delightful day - the temperature was pleasant - not too warm - the evening very cool - such a heavy dew - James and Theodore arrived by the stage - poor Mamma, particularly, was in such a state of anxiety, about them - fearing, they were ill - as they had put off - owing to us - James says, that Cholera, is exists, to a scarce degree, in Montreal, hundreds are

swept away, in no time - what a calamity! what a
visitation from the Almighty - may we all, profit
by the lesson - mend our ways - God grant, we
may be spared - this morning, there was a high
Mass said - to ask the blessings of Divine Providence,
on the fruits of the earth, also - to be spared
from the reigning Epidemic - a very great
number of people, attended - there were thirty
persons who received - it was very edifying -
I am better to-night - my sweet angels are
in perfect health - Henry went to Bedford with
Willy -

Tuesday 11th July - lovely weather - rather dry -
for the garden - a little rain - would, do good -
Henry is well - the wadd - very thirsty -
the Reverend Pere - spends his days, at the
Nestry - he says - it is so not a quiet there -
appearance of rain this evening - it is very
cloudy - Henry & Fisher, arrived, at past nine
o'clock P. M - they had quite a heavy shower of rain,
at Mark's - they say Cholera is raging -

Wednesday 12th July - a fine, cool, fresh weather -
a little rain, would be so much needed -
the plants are suffering from the drought -
I hope & trust, this fine weather, will have
the effect, of diminishing that, awful Cholera -
(Cholera) - how thankful, I am to divine
Providence - thus far - we are all well -
appearance of fine weather for to-morrow -
very cool to-night -

Thursday 13th July - a continuance of beautiful
bright weather - the heat, very tolerable -
such delightful, pure air - a fine blue sky -
lovely temperature - after breakfast, ^{the} men & I
descended to the falls - after which, I went to see
la pauvre Raymond - she is better - all the boys
went out fishing - dear Billy, went with them -
Caro & Nadeau, went also to try their luck -
they commenced Hay-making to-day - they are
mowing in the Field -

Friday 14th July - very very warm to - day — a
continuance of very dry weather — withal, the
crops are looking most beautiful & bountiful —
there is all appearance of an abundant harvest —
God be praised! a lovely evening — Willy & Caw
play base every night, they enjoy themselves
very much — Henni, had a slight gouty pain
in his finger, to - day — I hope it may not last —
to - morrow being St. Henry — Willy & Caw presented
a very fine Bouquet to their Papa with addressing
him, a few appropriate words for the occasion —
after dinner, I took the beautiful Bouquet — to
church to offer it to the Mother of God;
a great many Mosquitoes, to - night — a glorious
Sunset —

Saturday 15th July - lovely weather — the roads very
dusty — rather too dry for the garden — John
brought in a melon to - day from the hot - bed —
Willy & Caw went down to the Cells, after breakfast —
they enjoyed their drive very much —
a beautiful bright sun — the harvest is most
beautiful — this morning, again, a great many
people Received — my dear children are in
perfect health — Henni is better — the pain in his

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hand - is better - he goes about, as usual -
what delightful weather - a such a continuance
of it! -

Monday 16th July. Intensely hot all day - such a day
of heat & dust - very nothing in the garden, is
poached up - a little rain - would do so much good -
there was quite a crowd, at church, to-day -
the Prie gave a very severe lesson to the Thompsons -
poor unfortunate tribe! how blinded, they are -
I was quite ill, last night - I am better this
morning - it is so warm - oppressively so -
Henry is well again - I am thankful, for it -

Monday 17th July. intensely warm - but lovely
weather, a great many people at low Mass -
who received - since nine days, two hundred
& twenty four persons, have received - it is very
edifying - after Breakfast - Prie Huiz - left
for St. John on route for St. Louis - he certainly
gave it, in great style to the Thompsons -
I went down to the Lake, with Henry after dinner

John

sunbeam — the fire, in the woods — contained

Reader ! within these leaves you'll find
Impusions various as the wind
From numerous prolific brains
In sorrowful and merry strains
The lover here may find a part
To suit the throbbing of his heart
The widow too amidst her grief
A soothing balm for her relief
And the grave Parson & the Squire
May meet with something to admire
This little book in prose or Rhyome
Is meant to cheat old Father Time
And so a leetons hour beguile
With poetry in every style

Now Reader as you find delight.

In scanning over what others write

His hopes for a Gratitude alone

You'll add a tribute of your own.

And thus with our choice scrap at last
Finish this mental pie-me feast -

To be written on the 1st first Page
of your letter -
See beginning & end of the ^{Ms} letter
the Address - To be both with much
Your approbation - Me -

the roads, very dusty — we were so agreeably ~~satisfied~~
surprised, this evening to see our good Curé, come
in — we did not expect him before to-morrow
or next day — we found him looking so well —
we were all so happy to see him back home
again — he had been, absent, ~~exactly~~ three weeks —

With a ~~Car~~ were so pleased to see him —

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Par ordre

THOMAS A. BEGLEY,
Secrétaire.

Département des Travaux Publics, Québec, 24 nov. 1853.



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à éviter) du Sarah Sands, dans le St.
Laurent, son départ d'ici a été remis au
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the bridge — we felt anxious,
God, spare us from any
harm —

the drought is great — the grass is parched up —
it is quite yellow — after breakfast — we
lunched, took in all, in his steamboat — so
far, as just Paradis is on the opposite side —
a most lovely spot — we enjoyed, the gentle
breeze, the delicious balmy air, so much —
it was perfectly delightful — we remained
there an hour — it was so delicious, to inhale
such a fine atmosphere — we returned for
luncheon — the fire, in the woods — continued

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From numerous prolific brains
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To be written on the first Page

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See by me & send to Mr. —
the Collector — I hope both will meet
your approbation. — Mr. —

I went down to the Lotto, with them after dinner

the roads, very dusty — we were so agreeably ~~visited~~
surprised, this evening to see our good Cure, come
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or next day — we found him looking so well —
we were all so happy to see him back home
again — he had been, absent, ~~exactly~~ three weeks —
With a ~~Caw~~ were so pleased to see him —
it is very warm to-night — the fire,
in the ~~first~~ settlement, to-day was waging —
it even reached — the bridge — we felt anxious,
at one time — God, spare us from any
accident of the kind —

Tuesday 18th July beautiful weather — but, too dry,
the drought is great — the grass is parceled up —
it is quite yellow — after breakfast — Mr. L.
Cure, took us all, in his steamboat — so
far, as just Paradise on the opposite side —
a most lovely spot — we enjoyed, the gentle
breeze, the delicious balmy, air, so much —
it was perfectly delightful — we remained
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I went down to the Lake, with them after dinner

20th Dec. - 1853.

Température etc.—Les pluies froides et le beau temps se succédaient à de courts intervalles ; parfois le soleil venait réchauffer l'atmosphère et disperser les nuages, et nous commençions à nous bercer de l'espoir d'un nouvel automne, lorsque, samedi dernier, dans l'après-midi, la neige commença à tomber ; évidemment, l'hiver venait de prendre sa position au sérieux, car dimanche matin, le sol était caché sous un pied et demi de neige agitée par un vent impétueux qui la promena en tous sens pendant la journée entière de dimanche.

Hier matin, le froid avait fait apparition à un haut degré d'intensité; aussi les fourrures étaient-elles tout-à-fait de mise. Au moment où nous mettions sous presse, le froid n'a rien perdu de sa rigueur.

Par suite de ce changement subit de température, la navigation est, nous pourrions dire, fermée. *L'Aigle* a abandonné la traverse de Longueuil et *le Prince Albert* doit partir ce matin pour ses quartiers d'hiver.

Hier soir, la glace abondait sur le fleuve.

the roads, very dusty — we were so agreeably ~~visited~~
surprised, this evening to see our good Cure, come
in — we did not expect him before to-morrow
or next day — we found him looking so well —
we were all so happy to see him back home
again — he had been, absent, ~~exactly~~ three weeks —
With a ~~Car~~ were so pleased to see him —
it is very warm to-night — the fire,
in the ~~front~~ settlement, to-day was waging —
it even reached — the bridge — we felt anxious,
at one time — God, spare us from any
accident of the kind —

Tuesday 18th July beautiful weather — but, too dry,
the drought is great — the grass is parceled up —
it is quite yellow — after breakfast — Mr. L.
Cure, took us all, in his steamboat — so
far, as just Paradise on the opposite side —
a most lovely spot — we enjoyed, the gentle
breeze, the delicious balmy, air, so much —
it was perfectly delightful — we remained
there an hour — it was so delicious, to inhale
such a pure atmosphere — we returned for
luncheon — the fire, in the woods — continued

to rage - it looks grassy, at night - the weather is pleasant & cool - to-night - the newspaper of to-night say, that Cholera, is on the decrease - I hope - they are well informed & give a true statement -

Wednesday 19th July. Such intense heat! it is dreadful - the fire, in the woods - to an alarming degree - it took, with great force - Henry, caused a great many men - to be on the watch - in the afternoon - it broke out, behind the church - I was dreadfully alarmed - they tore down the fence - opposite the wood - Fortunately, with the aid of jumps & much water - they prevented, the fire - from running - the adjoining - hay field - was much scorched, scorched, burnt - we dined, at 1/2 past seven o'clock P. M - Henry, & his son Theodore - made themselves very useful - they worked, like good ones - a great many people, of the village, have suffered severe losses - much of the grain being burnt - God, spare us from more damages -

Thursday 20th July - the heat to that degree -
one, could hardly breathe - very fortunately
whilst, we were at dinner - a most, welcome,
heavy shower of rain, refreshed the burning
hot atmosphere - it was so delightful, to breathe
freely - this rain, was a boon - the garden,
was refreshed - & the fire, in the forest, put
out - that it, enough, to remove, all anxiety, for
to-night - this morning, it was raging, behind
the church - they kept jumping, all day -
it is now quite burnt, no more sublime -
Thanks God! Henry, Rob, Theodore & Willy, have
been at work, all day - Mespire M^{rs} Aubin, came
to see us & as he took luncheon & dinner
with us, he returned home, in the evening -
how cool & pleasant, after the rain -
Kem, is tired, he has been out in the sun,
incessantly - overseeing - every where - where
there was fire - there is yet, much fire
in the ridge -

Friday 21st July - a lovely day - not too warm -
the woods, beautiful - the hut, laid down, by
the rain of last evening - this morning, we
found it so delightful - to enjoy a fine cool
morning - when, we walked to church - we
were fast, quite renovated, by the fresh breeze -
after luncheon, we be one, the boys - with a Caro
a Nadeau, all went to Tarragonina Grove - to
arrange it - they enjoyed themselves, very much -
and occupied themselves in making the place
clean & comfortable - I went to the Falls, this
morning - & also went with them, to visit
the burning of the woods - it is very much
extinguished - I hope & trust, it will not take
flare up again - there is yet, a great deal
of smoke - this evening, we could not sit
out, with any comfort - so dense, was
the smoke - it is cool a pleasure to - night -

Saturday 22nd July - very warm all day -
last night - about a quarter ten o'clock - Arthur
arrived, with Major Dramond (the attorney General)
Gugg, Lashin & W^W Wells - we managed to
make them comfortable for the night -
after breakfast - they all left for Ornham -

on an electioneering tour - Mr. Guy, is en route, for
the East riding of the County of Mississquoi, to offer
his suffrage - the Attorney General, has been
returned unanimously, unanimously, for Stefford -
Penn Grove, all these Gentlemen as far as
Shaunbridge village - in my carriage - Cuvier
found the heat, so intense - he prepared,
remaining at home - I was so happy
to hear, my good Friend Mr. Cuvier, was
so much better - she is gone to Roussgate,
to take the benefit of the sea air - her
three children, are with her - we had
a delightful shower, this evening, which
had refreshed the atmosphere - we feel thankful
for it - Thunder this afternoon -

Sunday 23rd July - a great many people at church
to-day - the rain of last evening - has laid, the
dust - it makes it very pleasant - it was
fervishing, hot, in church to-day, - whilst
we were at dinner - it rained, in full style -
thank Providence! every one, here, are well -
Cholera, continues very severely, in Montreal
may God! spare us -

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Monday 24th July - this morning early, Cecilia & Mr Larkin left for Montreal - the temperature was pleasant - the heat, after breakfast became intense - I was not well all day - I retired early - Mr Le Cire, the boys & the children - went in the steamboat, this evening - Mr Larkin's paper here, this evening en route for Dunham - - it is very warm to-night

Tuesday 25th July awfully warm - after breakfast we went to Tarraconina grove - we enjoyed the fine cool air - remained there, till luncheon time - Henry is so well - he takes a great deal of exercise - a bright sun - but, so warm - my dear children are well - I thank divine Providence, for such a blessing - Mr Le Cire began to visit the school in the bridge, this afternoon - it is now, kept by four hours - the children, will improve, under, his tuition -

Wednesday 26th July intensely warm - after luncheon, Henn went up to Bedford with Willy - for ^{the} nomination of a Candidate for the approaching Election - the heat was awful - they all returned in time for dinner - the Boys, had gone in the omnibus, with the Mores - this afternoon, Mespie & Aubin came to dine & remain till to-morrow, to go to U Grignon, with Mr le Curé - it has been showery in some parts - with us, the smoke is dreadful - the fire in the woods, is frightful -

Thursday 27th July - what a sudden transition, quite cool, this morning - so much so - obliged to put on warmer clothing - it has been cool all day - I have been quite indisposed - kept my room - a part of the Day - this morning early - Mr le Curé & Mespie & Aubin left for U Grignon, to attend the Conférence Ecclésiastique - they returned in time for dinner - the weather perfectly delightful - the smoke from the woods is most intense - Willy went fishing - he took, such nice fish - for to-morrow - I went down to the Falls this morning with Caro - Henn drove us -

Friday 28th July - very warm - choking with smoke -
most disagreeable - I have been suffering, all day -
I was deprived of going out - both my dear children
are well - the Cholera continues to make great ravages -
may we, be spared, from such a fearful disease -
God, grant it - we heard of 2 cases at "points also 2 cases
as at Attawasee all fatal - Misier, is cutting Hay as
fast as he can - fearing rain, at last -

Saturday 29th July - it rained in the night - and again
a little sprinkling this morning - it only laid the
dust - and stopped, the progress of the fire in the woods
I wrote to Dr. Cuviller to-day - Henry went down to post
my letter himself - often this week, we have
the Boys have ^{gone} in the Steamboat, after
dinner - & returned with, all the Lamps lighted -
the effect, is beautiful - my hope, for more rain
very strong in the garden - is parcelled - the
grass - perfectly yellow -

Monday 30th July - a lovely day, this morning it was
so cool a pleasant - in the afternoon, it was
warmer, still, the weather delightful - after
breakfast - we all went to Taraconina Grove
in the steamboat - we enjoyed our trip, very
much - after dinner, we all went out
again, with in the boat, with all my people,
Caro and I walked down, to see them return,
with all the Lamps lighted - it was a most
beautiful Loup Waile - I never saw anything
more beautiful - the river, so calm, a
the reverberation, of those, well lighted Lamps,
was really most brilliant a radiant -
I took a long walk, with my dear Caro -
this evening - Mammie was not well
enough to go out to-day -

Monday 31st Continuance of delightful weather,
much warmer than yesterday - Nicie,
continues hay-making - fire in the Forest,
still to be seen - in several directions -
to-night opposite the house - and at some
distance behind the church Mammie
much better - Cholera, still, proving very fatal in
Montreal - May we be spared -

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Tuesday 1st August - Delightful weather, after a little rain, this morning - after luncheon my dear children came to present me with a Banquet & also a very rich Mopal, given by Mr Le Lini for the church - its being ^{the} me, of my Fête - they expressed me, most to much love & affection, in a dear note, addressed me, in Caro's handwriting - I felt, quite overcome by their kindness - they also went up to their Grand Mamma & soon, I wished her many returns of the day - dear old Mother she felt so happy, at this mark of affection, from Willy & Caro - a few moments before dinner, the Attorney General Mr Drummond, & Mr Lashin's arrived from Toronto - they are so tired - done up - Mr Luggy palpitated here, en route for Montreal, by the stage - having lost his Election - he returned immediately to town - Mr Gorges, is returned for the East Vicinity of Missisquoi - Henn has been, so busy going about, for Seymour's Election - which, we all fear, will not be successful - after dinner, Mr Drummond went in the steamboat - he enjoyed it, very much -

Wednesday 2^d August - very warm all day -
after luncheon - Mr. Drummmond, went down
to visit my dear little church & vestry - he found
every thing very beautiful - the fire in the
woods, is to a fearful degree - Willy's handsome
boycage, has been in a blaze all day - all
hands are at work, to dry and keep, the terrible
element, down - the smoke is dreadful -
Hungerford has come down to day - he has been making
a kind of a kitchen in front of the work-shope - to suit
his convenience - it looks ugly -

Thursday 3^d August - a continuance of most
deadly dry, parching, weather - every thing
in the garden, is burnt up - the green plots
are perfectly yellow - there is nothing in the
garden, to be seen - not a flower - all burnt,
and grizzled - such a drought, I have never
witnessed - the Election, commenced this morning,
the vote, is at the school room, entrance of
the Ground Line - poor Seymour & fear, has
little chance - - Mr. Whitney will get in -
Herr, Henry, and Fisher, have been very
busy all day - we spent the morning, at
Parcouver's Grove - Willy, Theodore & I went
out fishing - in the flat - they took, such nice
fish - at five o'clock this morning, Mr. Drummmond

and Mr Lashin's left for ~~11~~ founds in route for town
they took the first Cars — we very much
enjoyed Mr Drummond's visit, he is such a
very nice amiable person —

Friday 4th Augt The smoke is so dense, so
dreadful, we can hardly breathe freely — it is
most horribly — we are surrounded with smoke,
& fire — the atmosphere, is fairly, heavy to that degree,
there is no going out, with any comfort —

Mamie went the grove with us this morning,
she enjoyed her trip very much — the Election
is over — Mr Symmons is beat, by 180 votes —
Mr Whitney is in, with flying colours —
all — the Cognaciers residing in Dunham, have
been taken — a hand-cuffed, brought to Montreal —
What a ridiculous far that part of the country —
such a vile set —

Saturday 5 August — This morning, the smoke was so
intense — we could not see the gate before the house —
I never saw any thing like it — such a house, smoky,
unable, to open, the windows, the smoke coming in
so much — it is so awful, every thing tastes smoky

looks smoky - we cannot see across the wood - if, it could only rain, what good, it would do - they have not yet finished making hay - they intended taking in, the oats, this week, but, all hands, have been occupied, quelling the fire as much as possible, nothing else, could be attended to - Mr Fitzgerald came in before luncheon - he left before dinner - how thankful we are to Providence, we are all well, thus far, no sickness in this part of the country -

Sunday 5th Augt This morning it was warm, very warm - strong south wind - a great many people at church - we had a beautiful feast - la Fete de Notre Dame des Anges - the altar was so beautifully decorated - I got a very fine pair ~~penit~~ made - dear Law, went to offer it - Henry accompanied her - she also, collected - Jobisher played such a handsome collection of tunes with his usual good taste - I fancied, my dear little organ, more harmonious, than usual - the fire in the wood, was to a most fearful degree, the whole etc -

blissment, seemed enveloped in one dense
cloud of smoke - it was awful - obliged
to go to the rescue of our cattle - I never
saw any thing like it - in the new road,
it was a perfect blaze - from one end,
to the other - during vespers - the atmosphere,
became, so overcast, it was almost dark
in church - it was then, the altar, looked
so magnificent, & brilliant, it was so
beautifully lighted - we had a splendid
habit - it rained with rain, at last, it
was a good end - it had the effect of quelling
that terrific element - it is quite cool
after the rain -

Monday 4th night This morning, we were so cold,
I was shivering with cold - I wore my wadded
mantelit, a woollen shawl, & my cloak - still
not, too, much - I was only comfortable - with
all my wrappings - dear law, took a little cold,
the last part on her woollen stockings - this
morning, we had a beautiful Mass - sang
for the Family - such as, Agreed, by our
good kind Bishop, last year I the

Altar was beautiful, the same process, as yesterday,
Brother played the organ — a good many
people, attended — how cool all day —

Tuesday <sup>8th Augst lovely weather, such a
delicious temperature — after luncheon
we went to spend the afternoon, at
Taracuina Grove, it was perfectly delight-
ful — saw a Nadeari bestrewed, the whole
place, with new fungi — we all sat
around the table — the book read,
alone to us, I was working — after a
little while, we took collation, having
removed the collation — we sat down
to cards & played, until four o'clock P.M.
when, we all returned to the boat — went a
further on, to enjoy the beautiful breeze —
returned home, for five o'clock —
Herr preferred, coming to the grove, on foot
by the woods — he returned, the same way —
we enjoyed ourselves very much —</sup>

Wednesday 9th Augt a very heavy dew, last night
this morning it was quite cool - the weather
truly beautiful - not too warm - the news papers
say, Cholera, is abating in Montreal - I hope
a trust, if it is the case - Henry ^{falls} went to the
Strabrook ^{falls} village this morning - the roads
most beautiful - my dear children are quite
well - although, not looking very rosy -
yesterday, they put ^{up} wheat in stacks - they
brought in all the pease - they are still
bringing in, hay - what beautiful weather
for travelling - I wish, I could go - somewhere,
with my dear children -

Thursday 10th Augt - it was cool & pleasant this
morning - Mespire & Aubin came to spend
the day with Mr Le Cun - we had such a
delicious luncheon at Taracouine grove -
every thing was cooked & prepared there
by Madame Laro, Mr Le Cun overseeing
the whole arrangements of the fit -
it was perfectly delightful - we spent a
most charming afternoon - after luncheon
we played cards - we then left the grove -

I was cruising about the river - Mr & Aubin returned home after dinner - I feel very old to-day - and I am so, in reality - to-day is my birth-day - I am forty nine - is it possible? quite an old woman! - Dearest children I sing more to you than ever -

Friday 11th Augt. lovely weather - they have covered the water above the Dam - to repair the Saw-mill notwithstanding - the grist-mill has been grinding all day - a strong proof of the good use - of the new wheels put in, last autumn - Jimmy returned by the stage this morning - he will reach town, to-night - my dear children are in perfect health - I thank Divine Providence for it, daily - the health of the Township, thus far, is perfect - may we be preserved & spared, from the dreadful Epidemic - God willing -

Augt 12th Saturday - very warm weather, all day - a few drops rain, this morning - they brought in the wheat yesterday - it is very fine - yesterday, they finished, taking in the hay - a continuance of drough^{time} again - the fire broke out, for a second, in the woods on the other side of the river - the effect was beautiful, to see the fire, run up, to the top of the trees - nothing, happened, or occurred, to break, though, our quite monotonous, little habits, which, do not meet, with every one's tastes —

Sunday 13th Augt a lovely day - rather warm - a great many people at church - after vespers - James & the boys, went in the steamboat - I was deprived of going, I had such a head-ache — it thundered in the afternoon - a heavy shower rain - lasted, but few moments - in the evening it was quite cool —

Monday 14th August - This morning, it was very very
cold - after breakfast, I went to take a long walk
with Jobisher - the temperature, was perfectly
delightful - we went to see Theodore making
clearing land - he is getting on, very nicely -
he commenced this morning to work, in full
earnest - Willy & Caw were there looking on -
it has been very cold, all day - they are
cutting oats to-day - the water, is rising, by
degrees - the roads very dusty - the drought
continues - James has a sore eye - he is
always, in good spirits -

Tuesday 15th August a cloudy, frosty day - it is
awful, to see the fire in the woods - the
whole country, around us, is enveloped, in
a mass of dense smoke - George Wheat, is
saw mill, is in danger - Henry went up, to
offer the services, of all the men, in the
establishment - it is raging to a fearful degree -
this morning, we had a beautiful Mass - in
honor of the blessed Virgin Mary - its being
to-day the feast of Assumption of the blessed Virgin
Mary - Jobisher played the organ - on

good many people Received - my dear children
and myself, had the supreme happiness of being
of the number - the Mass sang this morning
was asked by the whole establishment -

Henry & Francis attended - poor James
was deprived, of doing so, by indisposition -
he suffers, so much, from his sore eye,
and a dizziness - he took something, this
morning - I hope, it may prove beneficial -
it is obtuse - unpleasant, I think -
this afternoon - rain by torrents - it did so
much good in putting down, the fire, in the woods -
two small houses in the ridge, were burnt down
yesterday from the fire in the woods -
this evening it is very very cool -

Wednesday 16th Augt. very cool & pleasant -
the rain, did so much good - after luncheon,
we le car left by the stage, for the Athanase.
This afternoon, I went with the children, to see
Theodore & his gang, clearing Land - Coro
joined, with Willy - they armed themselves
very much - Henry went to Stebridge village,
after luncheon, to-night, they are all busy.

setting, all the logs of gathered wood, on fire - they are blazing beautifully — James's eye, is much better — it is hot — the dense smoke, is fearful.

Thursday 17 Augt. Cloudy, smoky — warmer, than, yesterday — early this morning, Job, went to the Attahmase, to fish, we will call back — after breakfast, Theodore, Willy, Carl and Nathan, all, went out fishing — Harry, commenced, to clear an acre of Land to-day — I am glad of it, it will save him, from being idle — Theodore has finished, his job — Harry allows him two pounds for it — to encourage him, to be industrious — this afternoon, Mamma, Harry, James, Willy, Carl & myself went to take a drive, under the bridge — the woods most beautiful — the weather warm a pleasant —

Friday 18th Augt a continuation of beautiful weather, cool in the morning & evening - heavy dews - lovely weather, for harvest time - after breakfast, Harmonie came, with us, all, to enjoy a promenade on steamboat - it was perfectly delightful - a fine warm sun - the river is low - the Hydraulic Ram - is not in operation, on account of the lowness of the water - this evening I received, my English Bath Chair - it is a most beautifully got up, little carriage -

Saturday 19th Augt very warm indeed, to-day - the roads dusty - we are, yet, annoyed, with smoke, of an evening - after breakfast, it was great fun, to get in the Bath Chair - (although, we had all, tried it, last evening, for an instant) they took me as far as the Mill house - it runs beautifully - our roads, for the present, are so even a dry - it is quite delightful - to drive about - our young men, are still, hard at work, clearing land - they expect, to finish to-day -

Sunday 29th ~~to~~ ^{to} night a delightful day - a great
many ^{persons} at Mass - we had a most magnificent;
Mass - the altar truly beautiful - the psalm psalm
was very fine, given by the people of the
establishment - Matilde, collected - the Salut
was most beautiful - we le lire sang the
Memorare admirably - and this morning
to Messe Rondalaise - how beautiful it
is. - after recess, we all went to take
a collation - at Pointe Levi opposite Quebec -
we enjoyed our trip, very much - the
water, had risen, the steamboat glided, and
most delightfully -

Monday 30th ^{Augt} This morning the fog a
smoke, both combined, ^{were} so hense, ^{we}
could not distinguish, the last thing, before
us - I never saw any thing like it - there
is, yet, a great of fire, in the woods - not
yet, enough water, to grind - Mammar is
well - my dear children also - I am
thankful for it -

Tuesday 22nd Augt very windy all day - this morning cloudy - at ^{1/2} past five o'clock a.m. Henry and Lobister left for town, en route for Terrebonne - the newspapers say, there is no more cholera - God! grant they are true a correct in their statement - after breakfast, Henry, James, Theodore and the children, went to take a long drive - after luncheon - I took a walk with Henry in the new road - the fire, was raging, on both sides of the road - I never saw any thing so dreadful - it was perfectly terrific - the fire is raging through out the Township, in to a most fearful degree - every one, are asking for rain - what extreme dry weather very prospective, for harvesting - the grain, every where is boxed, in the best state possible -

Wednesday 23rd Augt a most charming day - rather warm - the roads very dusty - but, with all, lovely weather, delightful for travelling - after breakfast we left for Dunham - Henry, the children and I in my large carriage - We le' Cure a James

in the waggons - we enjoyed our drive, very very
much - the roads, most beautiful, and the country
all about Stanbridge village, so very pretty, the
more you go on, the scenery, becomes most
magnificent - the heights, the mountains, &
then again, the beautiful valley - it is a
perfect panorama - I do not know, where,
I was so delighted with a drive - Dunham,
is certainly, very beautiful country - so hilly -
the pasturage, so green & luxuriant -
as for me, I adoring hills & dales, beyond
any thing - before ^{it} Fitzgerald, was not at
home, he regretted, very much - however, we
took luncheon - visited, the church - & left again
at 4 just two o'clock - the horses, went most
delightfully up and down hill, with the greatest
safety possible - I had no idea, they would
have ^{been} so kind, so pleasant to go with -
we reached home at five o'clock - during
our absence, Francis was out riding, his horse
tumbled, and he fell, head over ears, in the
dust - fortunately, he did not hurt himself, to
the exception, of bruising his thumb - how
thankful, he must be, after, such a narrow
escape, of injuring himself, so much - he is
so heavy, he might, have met, with a broken limb -

Thursday 2nd Augst Rain in the night, and again this morning a little sprinkling —

Dear Cao, feels a little fatigued, after her little journey of yesterday — we drove 12 leagues — it is, rather, a long drive, I must admit — but, we are so, situated, we cannot go ^{at} any distance, without, its being, at a place, without, its being, at a great distance — dear Cao, very little exertion, I have observed, upsets her, she has a headache to-day — we thought, of going to the fetes — to-morrow, I fancy not, we shall most probably, put off — to another day — after luncheon — we le luri left by the stage for St Athanase — Stein went to Stanbridge village — to sit as a Magistrate — he returned late — we dined at seven o clock — intensely hot, all the afternoon — to-night, the fire, is still raging in the woods — it is suffoca — ting hot this evening — we are all asking for rain —

Friday 25th Augt This morning it was quite cool & pleasant - after breakfast, Henri, James Willy, Laro and I left for St John's - the horses went most beautifully - we reached our destination, in two hours and a half - the roads very much better, than I expected to find them - (that is, on the sides of the plank road) - we stopped at Mesire Dupuis's to take up our lodging, & drove on to St John's, we called on Mesire Larocque, from there I went to a Millinery shop - where, I was told, that, there had been no less than eleven cases of Cholera since last Monday - my astonishment, is not to be told, I was thunderstruck - we were all so fully convinced, there was no more Cholera in St John's, it seems, these had not been any, since three weeks - when, a few more cases, were heard of - I really, felt, very uneasy & very unhappy, at the thought, of having brought, my dear children, where, there was yet, that awful malady - I hastened away from St John's, crossed over, to St Athanase, and there, we all took sunbathes at Mesire Dupuis's - I felt, relieved, when I

was comfortably seated, with all my people
on the gallery, enjoying the beautiful
fresh breeze of the river - we all left
St Athanase - arrived at you just three -
arrived here at $\frac{1}{2}$ past five O'Clock -
Mr le Cure returned with us - most
certainly, had, I had, the least idea, of
there being, even, one solitary case of
Cholera at St Johns - I would not have
gone, on any account - Why leave, a
perfectly healthy home - to go and visit,
a sickly place - particularly, as it was
only, for the sake, of change of air - and a
pleasant drive - that, I had taken, my
dear children there - the fire is
raging to a degree to night - in the woods -

Saturday 26th August a most beneficial, rain
all day - it has, so much abated the fire -
it will also, give water in the pounds -
our grist mill, is at a stand still - not
enough water, to keep it in operation -
my dear children, are quite well - nor at all
fatigued, after their little journey of yesterday -

Henry is complaining of a scleromatic pain,
between his shoulders — may one, are thankful for
rain, it will do so much good — Whishar
returned from Montreal, this evening, by the stage —
he, reports, all is well, in town, no more Cholera —
God, be praised, for it —

Sunday 27th Augt a lovely day — a great many
people at church — a great many processions
Received — the Altar, beautiful — the Salut
was very brilliant — the Feast of the Sacred Heart
of the Blessed Virgin — was beautifully celebrated —
after mass, we all went, in the Steamboat,
to Pointe Levi — there, we took a collation —
some of the party eat Melon — we enjoyed
our Promenade very much — it did my
head — ache good —

Monday 28th Augt a continuance of fine
weather, much too dry, on account of the
fire in the wood — it is not to be total —
we are literally, enveloped with sunbeams —

The fire is raging all around us — after lunch we
are left by the stage, for the Athanase, en
route, for Montreal — this evening, Henry, arrived
from Town, brought, a pretty little Tarle-Pingouin
a Canard, from Cuillier — Henri went to the
Foundry this aft. — Hiës —

Tuesday 29th Augt. - most lovely weather - south wind,
we, hope, for rain. the fire, continues, to
a degree, every where — Mamma, is not
very well — she complains of her chest — I fear
very much — that all, our nice green wood,
will be burnt down — I walked down, as far
as the bridge, near the Stoticher lot, with Francis,
it was dreadful to see, the fire, raging, on the
opposite side — after dinner, I went with Henri
a the children, to see the immense fire, quite
near, but leaves any dock — however, they
say, there is no danger, of its taking fire —
we see, large blazes of fire, in every direction
Joh, played very sweetly, on the corrofium
this evening, Theodore accompanied, with the
flute, and Henry with ^{the} tambourine — the effect,
was very pretty — — —

Wednesday 30th August Most warm weather, all day,
no rain - very dry, dreadful drought - the fire
continues, to blaze, every where - it is really, to a
fearful degree - when, or where, will it, end?
I very much fear, Taraconne Grove, will burn.
What a pity! poor Mother, was quite ill, in
the night - Lao, came down, for me - it was
a little, after mid-night - I remained, with her
until a quarter after four o'clock A.M. - she was
then, better, I made her take 1 gr of Opium - and a
small dose, of fine rhubarb, before her luncheon -
I hope she will continue to improve, poor dear
Mother may God, spare her to me, for a long
time - my dear children are in perfect
health - it is uncommonly warm - a strong
gentle wind - though God, a welcome shower
of rain, has just refreshed, the hot atmosphere,
if, it can only, rain all night, what good, it will
do - there is fire blazing, to night - it seems
to be quelled - for a few moments - before the Admiral
a Major Garrison, came to pay me a visit, also
to visit the establishment - he admired the church,
very much -

Thursday 31st - a lovely day, very pleasant
after last night's rain - a great part, more of
it, did not fall - early this morning, Frobby
went in to town - after an early luncheon -
Henry went to H. Jones - Mr. Le Cire returned
from Town, this afternoon - he went as far
as H. Hyacinthe on Tuesday evening - slept at
H. Jones last night - Henry returned, five
minutes after six - just in time for dinner -
Mammar is very much better - dear mother -
she's twenty-nine years of age to-day -
she is certainly, very well, in every respect,
for her time of life - her judgement, a memory
so good, so clear - they have been clearing
the stumps on the opposite side the river -
facing the church - it now looks so neat
& clean - it such an improvement - the
fire, is very much diminished - may it not
kindle up again - this evening Frobby
arrived by the stage with my three Nieces -
Louise, Anna, and Frances McPherson - all three,
most charming girls - I am so delighted to
see them - a lovely evening, rather coolish -

Friday 1st Sept. Cloudy weather, withal, a pleasant temperature - after breakfast, we had a nice promenade in steamboat - my Nieces, were quite delighted - after luncheon, they went out driving two of them with Willy, Louise & Ceno with ~~Henry~~ - it is to be hoped, we shall have more rain, as the fire, is not yet, perfectly extinguished - much appearance of rain -

Saturday 2nd September - It rained all night, and again this morning, it was raining finely - Theodore took us, to church, in the boat - the roads are muddy for the first time, since a long while - after breakfast, we le Carpentier to Henryville, he returned for dinner - there is no doubt, this welcome rain, will entirely extinguish the fire - it is not to be told, how much damage, the fire, has caused, in some places - such, as burning down, the fences, & burning the pasturage - it is pitiful, to hear, the poor people - cry out, for the want of pasture, for their cattle - and not a drop of water, to be had, but at a great distance from some of them, they come to our pond, which

is the only one - in all the townships - which,
has water in it - as for our Spring, in the
vegetable garden - we had, to give it up - it
became so low, ^{it} almost ceased to run - fortunately,
Henry got another Spring, near the river, nicely
cleared - it runs, beautifully - gives most, delicious
clear cold water - a perfect luxury -
my Nieces, are desirous of going out to drive -
the roads muddy - the weather very threatening -
it looks like rain - it is very cool -
the foliage, has already commenced, to change
its colours from a beautiful bright green to a
vivid blue, which announces, the fast
approaching Autumn - how short, the fine
warm season, is with us -

Sunday 3rd Sept very warm, rain in the night -
the roads quite muddy - left people at church,
than usual - James is not at well, he has
a branch of the Sophora - Marmora is not
very well - she did not attend church -
after dinner - the whole party - went out in the
steamboat - it was so prettily lighted up -
I did not go - it is very very warm -

Monday 4th left heavy showers in the night - a very bright warm sun, all day - after luncheon, we went to take a drive, as far as Bedford - the road had quite dried - my Nieces enjoyed their drive very much - it being the anniversary of my Niece Louisa's birth-day - we had quite, an illumination on board of the steamboat - Musie on board - it was very pleasant - Louisa, was twenty years old to day she is a very nice girl - Caro is so delighted, with the agreeable society of her Cousins - Mammie is much better - James is also better -

Thursday 5th intensely hot, all day - no going out - we all remained very quietly at home - reading, a conversing - we only went out to walk after dinner - then, it was delightful weather, a lovely moonlight - we took a most pleasant walk in the park - it was perfectly delightful - the heat, is dreadful - there will be, no sleeping to-night - the water is yet so low, quite impossible to put the grist mill in operation - poor habitants, obliged to go to Shenandoah to get their grain, ground -

Wednesday 6th left - the weather, most oppressively hot
we had a few drops of rain this morning -
accompained, with Thunder - it is yet threatening
may it raise - so, as, to refresh the atmosphere -
what a drought, the scarcity of water, is most
dreadful - many our, are suffering, from it, so
much - - Henry, left early this morning, for town -
Theodore killed a partridge this morning - the
first, we have seen this season - there was no
sleeping, last night - the heat was so great -
again to day, it is awfully warm - to night
a heavy shower rain - the ship, was literally, in
a perfect blaze - the lightning, so vivid a so
much spread, in every direction - it was a
grand light - we had a round game at
Cards this evening - we did not feel disposed
to be musical -

Thursday 7th left It rained very much, last
evening - the roads quite muddy - the coolness
of the atmosphere - is perfectly delicious - after
the extreme heat, of yesterday - after breakfast
Mary, Francesco, Carlo, Frothy & Billy went out
to fish, in the Seow - shortly after -
Louisa, James & I went in the steamboat -

in le Puré, joined Theodore, having taken their
fish tackling, they took small fish, from the
boat - we returned for limestone, after having
taken up, the party, from the scow, in our
steamer - the weather is very pleasant, notwithstanding
now & then the sun hats out, very warm - &
in the grand line, large pieces of hail, fell during
the heavy shower rain, we had yesterday morning
we, did not see a single hail stone, here -
we certainly, had a gay pleasant day of it -
after Breakfast Luncheon we returned to the boat
went on to Toracourina Grove - there, we established
ourselves very comfortably - prepared our collection
enjoyed it, perfectly, after partaking of a very
meat route - we played cards, & at the full 6 o'clock
P.M. we left the grove, went on to Point Levi, there,
we remained, but a few moments - returned home
to dress for dinner - after dinner we went
to the garden - on arriving near the Mound,
we were struck, with the beautiful camp d'oil -
it was magnificently lighted up - with lamps -
the red ones - were so pretty - Monogram
came out to enjoy the sight - a few moments
after we were seated there, Col Deshamps & his
aids Capt Rougemont, arrived, attired, in
their full uniform, their appearance, was the

most comical, ~~to be~~ witnessed - we had been
offered to us in a most comfortable way. —
another performer, made his appearance -
it ^{was} Mr Sam Sowden - I never saw, any thing better
acted, than the character, of this Darkey - it was
capital - he kept up his character to perfection -
his repartees were excellent - the tone of his voice
very good - he danced admirably - he carried us
on a constant roar of laughter - Capt Bouquenot,
mustachio & imperial, was inimitable - it is
astonishing, how very much this travestissement,
of Willy's, altered, I would not have recognised him,
so much, did the mustache, change, his expression -
I so much regretted, my dear Niece Francesca
was deprived, of enjoying all this fun - she
was ill, in bed with a violent headache -
she certainly had a day of it — — it is coshish
to-night —

Friday 8th ~~Left~~ This morning unusually cool, not to say ~~18th~~, at 5 o'clock A.M. there was only 3 degrees heat - it has continued cool, all day - after breakfast, Mr le Lire was sent for to go to Beauville - to bury a person there - Mmeine St Aubin, being en ~~retour~~ à St Hyacinthe - after luncheon, my Nieces, went with James, Robby, Milly & Carl, to the Bay - they had a little ~~sprinkling~~ rain - but notwithstanding, they enjoyed their drive, very much - delighted, with the Scenery about the Bay - it is quite cloudy to-night - threatens much rain -

Saturday 9th It rained by torrents all night and again, this morning, it rained very much - I regretted it, the more, as my Nieces & Robby left, for St John's, in the midst of the rain - nothing, could ~~keep~~ ^{them} from going, fortunately my travelling carriage, is all together covered in a full covered carriage they will take no cold - James & Theodore were to have gone with them, but, James being indisposed, he put off his return to Montreal this afternoon, it quite cleared up, the weather

became most pleasant, a fine bright sun -
this evening very very cold - not to say cold -
James is not well -

Sunday 10th Sept. A most delightful autumnal day -
this morning quite cold - I wrapped, with a
warm shawl to go to Mass - a great many
people at church - after Mass, we all went
in the steamboat, as far as Pointe Levi -
we enjoyed our trip, very much - James continues
indisposed - he is nervous - it is very cold this
evening - Captain & Aubin came to dine, with
Mr le Poer - he returned home - after dinner -
I fear, it will freeze to-morrow morning -
I am frozen - I wish, I had a stove up -
Nadeau left this afternoon for St John's -

Monday 11th Sept - It froze last night, a number
of the plants, are nipped - in the grand lise, they
say, 't's a gelé a ghaes - bless me, how soon!
I must prepare, to put up, all the stoves next
week to the latest - I am getting ^{put up}, the winter outer door
of the Servants Hall - it will protect, from rain

and cold - after Sunday we are left for Athabasca
in winter, for town - he will take the first train, in
the morning - how sad, to think, we must, already,
make preparations for winter - how very short,
the summer season, is with us - it passes away,
so rapidly - its enjoyments, are of a short
duration - James is not well - he has partly
given up the thought, of going to town, this week -

Tuesday 12th left most rough weather, warm, rather
coolish in the morning - this afternoon, most
delightful - James continues to be nervous -
although, he is a shade better - my dear children
enjoy perfect health - Harry, very foolishly, took
a nap, on one of the settees, at the door - I hope
he, will not feel any bad effects, from it -
Thus, far, his health, is good - we have
three or four people, making terre-neuve,
for us - Francis got his wheat, housed, in
perfect order, they brought in to-day - we will
have delicious bread - from such fine wheat -
there is no appearance of rain, the grist
mill, is yet, at a stand still - no water -

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Wednesday 15th Sept most beautiful weather, of course, coolish, it is now the season, to expect a cool temperature. After breakfast Henri & Willy left for Stanbridge village to go to the agricultural show - in the omnibus, went Theodore, the Farmer, the gardener, the Butler, and the Miller - Thomas, rode Henri's colt - the ~~horses~~^{sans} - pareille - the roads, are very good - the sun so fine and bright - dear Caro, commenced to make an hour of adoration, to day - from ten o'clock to eleven - then, Willy, makes the one, of Eleven till twelve - that, he has done since a long time, but, Caro, changed her hours, on account, of its being, morning vapors, she did not like it - dear child, she is so good to Jules - Mammie brought in from the garden, a very large bunch of Rathnas - fearing, they might be nipped by the frost - James, is rather better, I hope, he will continue, to improve - they all returned from Stanbridge ^{village} in time for dinner much pleased, with their day - Henri's colt got the first prize - he is such a fine horse - it's a great a glace é meatine -

Thursday 14th Sept a most bloody day - a
big sea down. Rain, by torrents, all day,
this is the first steady rain, we have had
for some time - they are grinding to-day - the
people, are so glad, they bring their grist,
with joy - the roads, are already, very bad -
Theodore went to the Bay - to get a paletot made
by Roberts - he found the roads bad -

Jarnet, is on the mend - I hope & trust
he will soon be quite himself again -
I have been busy in the garret all day -
making my autumnal arrangements -

Friday 15th Sept This morning it still rained;
Cloudy, remainder of the day - the roads, very muddy,
a little more ~~water~~ ^{is} required for the grist
mill - there is not yet enough ^{rain} fallen - we still
hope for more - Jarnet is very much better,
quite autumnal weather - Mr Le Lire arrived
from St Athanase this afternoon, he left Montreal
by the last boat - he says, the roads, are
very bad -

Saturday 16th left a beautiful bright autumnal day - rather too cold - for so early in the season - at eleven o'clock A.M. Henri left for St. Johns, he returned for dinner - this afternoon - I got all my stoves put up - to the exception of the one, in the sitting-room I am so delighted, to have done, with that affair - it was soon over - when Henri returned, it was all comfortable - at a safe place - they made fire, in the Servant's Hall - it was very pleasant - it being damp & cold - appearance of fine weather for to-morrow - cold to-night -

Sunday 17th left delightful weather - a glorious sunshine - a great many people at church - after breakers, we went in the steamboat - as far, as Licouderga - it was so pleasant, the temperature, delicious. Dear Caro had a violent head-ache - for a couple hours, she suffered, most dreadfully - towards evening, she was quite herself again - James is well again -

Monday 78th left this morning it was most lovely weather,
South wind - the wads, quite dry - this afternoon,
it was so warm, we kept the windows open -
before Luncheon Francis went, as far ^{as} Woolsthorpe
after Luncheon he went as far as the Cloth
Manufactury - he returned, a few minutes before
dinner - at 10 o'clock a. m. Mr Le Cire & James
went to Huby-ville - to take Luncheon -
on Mr Le Cire's return, he left for Stanbridge,
on a sick call - it was $\frac{1}{2}$ past seven o'clock P. M.
when he returned - it was raining fast - I
believe, it will rain all night - the stone of
the Salon was put up to day - Tom yester
the dress, are all put up - Madame returned
from St John's, this afternoon - I was glad
to see her back again -

Tuesday 19th left. This morning it was pleasant
a sunny - after taking an early Luncheon - Mr Le Cire
Theodore & Willy went down to Larochelle to fish,
they did not take many - in the afternoon -
we had rain by Torrents - they got, a little of it,
coming home - so did Francis, who had gone
to Huby-ville, to McGillavry's, to purchase,

autumnal wheat - it continued to rain, all the evening, and all night - it thundered for a short time - it blew an hurricane, for some moments --

Wednesday 20th left cloudy - appearance of cold after all this rain - the water has risen - 4 stones grinding wheat, this morning - we rejoice, at this, aubaine - having been deprived of grinding for so long a time - the foliage is fast, changing its colours, it is becoming tinted, with different hues - which, announces, autumn - dreary autumnal weather -

I am quite certain, it will freeze to-morrow, morning - in consequence, I have had all the batties cut - and brought in - we enjoy, the comfortable warmth of the stones - very well this evening - this afternoon I took a long walk - Haffix Fitzgerald arrived from Durham, just, in time for dinner -

Thursday 21st left this morning it was, quite cold -
there had been, such a heavy frost - every
flower in the garden, blasted by the frost -
after breakfast, the weather became most
beautiful, a fine bright sunshine, quite
warm & pleasant, the doors & windows, left
open, we all, so much, enjoyed, this lovely weather,
Mespire St Aubin, came to spend the day,
after luncheon, we all, went, in the steamboat -
it was perfectly delightful, the river so much
higher, than, it had been, for some time -
Mamme went to church early, she received
this morning - there was ice, to the thickness
of a quarter of an inch, in the ditches, this morning -
Mespire St Aubin returned home, after dinner -

Friday 22nd left we may, almost say, a summer's
day - the temperature, was indeed most delightful,
the sun so fine & warm - after breakfast
Mespire Fitzgerald returned to his home - the roads
are again quite dry - after luncheon - we 3 were
joined, & Willy went down to La Rochelle, to fish -
they were not, very successful - it was more
for the sake of the drive, I fancy, they went down -
Caro was busy all the afternoon finishing a com.

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of her own raising - dear child! she has sold me
all her crop ^{to any} to give her funds - for a very handable
purpose - what lovely weather all day -
to-night it is so pleasant - appearance fine
weather for to-morrow - I do not think
it will freeze - this night - this morning,
there was, an hoary frost - not so severe
as yesterday morning -

Saturday 23rd Sept. August temperature - quite
warm - windows & doors thrown open -
what lovely weather - it cannot last -
Francis got the winter wheat down to-day -
the grist mill, is doing good business, at this
moment - the water, is just good -
Thomas went to take the wool to the
Manufactury - he says, the roads - are good,
for the season - my dear children and myself -
had the happiness to receive, this morning -

Sunday 24th Sept a perfect summer's day -
it was so warm, I could not even wear a light
shawl - there was a great many people at church -
the weather, was so beautiful & bright - the Cure
of St Alexandre Mespire sang high Mass, there ¹⁰ days
for the first time - poor people - they are so
happy to have a Cure of their own - this day,
they will, ever remember, with a grateful feeling -
after vespers, Mr le Cure a Theodore went to
pay Mespire St Aubin a visit - they returned
before eight o'clock P.M - the roads, very good,
and, the weather most delightful - so warm
& pleasant - Henri complained of a slight gouty pain
in his knee, this morning - not enough, to prevent
him from going out - on the reverse, he walked
a great deal to-day - he feels, free from
pain to-night - I hope & trust, he will not
be troubled, with, that awful malady -

Monday 25th Sept This morning it was lovely
weather - this afternoon - it commenced to rain,
it looks, as if, there was going to be much
rain - I intend going to Montreal to-morrow,
if the weather clears up - I have quite

a long list, to fulfill — Henri is well again —
 The water has gone down, a little — a sure
 sign of rain — Francis, commenced, getting
the potatoes, out of ground ^{to-day} — They are very
small — quite a failure, in the crop — — —
 Mr le Cure has been busy packing up —
 to leave, to go, and make his Retraite — and, then,
 continue, ^{out}, with the Bishop, on his Pastoral
visitation — he will be absent, several weeks —

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Tuesday 26th left — Lousy weather — this m^o
 at past five o'clock a.m. — Mr le Cure,
 James, Theodore and I left for town —
 Thomas drove us, with the horses, to Upper
the road very much out of repair — the
plank road, particularly — we reached the city
 at past ten — I immediately set to work —
 and went through, a great deal, in no
 time — it is sunneat temperature —
 I am fatigued this evening —

Wednesday 27th left — a continuance of warm
 weather, to that degree, the Ladies, wear, muslin

dress & lace mantilla's - they are decked in ^{all} their
summer gaities & garments - the sun is so
bright & warm - I have finished my list - quite
happy, to have done so - the cure is not well,
her cure, notwithstanding, to say 'good bye',
she ^{left} ~~barked~~ this afternoon, by the Longueil
boat - en route for St. Malo, & from there
to R. Charles - where, he goes to make his retreat.
a ~~thursday~~ and after, which, he accompanies the
Bishop, for some weeks - how much
we shall miss him - I have a hard-ache
to - night -

home again -

Thursday 28th left such lovely weather, as
we had to return home, to - day, it was
perfectly beautiful - the roads rather drier-
I reached, my dear home, at the just
time of stock - found, all that is dear to
me, in health & good spirit - my dear
children, so happy to see me back -
James and Theodore returned with me -
James, found the town, yet - too warm
to live in it - the water for the mill
has gone down - I found the foliage, very

much changed in colour - its different
lines, are frosty -

Friday 29th Sept What a change in the
temperatures - clear sunshine, but, so
much cooler than yesterday - Harry, did
a most unwise thing to-day - he did
not wrap as usual, the consequence
is, he has taken cold, complains, of a
gouty pain in his hand. - I very much
fear, he will have a regular attack -
God, grant, it may not happen -
James, is so much better to-day -
he was, rather nervous in town -
I have had the wooden carpet, laid down
in my Mondoir - I find it quite coolish
to-night -

Saturday

Saturday ²⁰ ~~20~~ Sept. Fine pleasant weather, so much
cooler, than, these few days past — the Beadle
went early this morning to the Athanase, to
bring home, a Reverend Pastor, to officiate
to-morrow — we were most agreeably
surprised to see Reverend Rere Garin arrive,
to remain a few days — we had been told,
it was another, who, had been named,
to come — having, already had the
pleasure of seeing here before, we
very much preferred — having him —
he is an old acquaintance, who,
we always delight to see — the weather
is so dry — the water, is boiling fast —
Heini is not well — he is suffering in full
earnest to-day — his hand (right, one) very
much swollen & inflamed — he did not
go out to-day — I am anxious — his
book, announced gout — may be he
spared from a long attack

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Sunday 1st October. This morning the weather cool & threatening rain - not as many people at church as usual - this a - the Reverend Pere, gave us a most interesting discourse - so feeling - he was heard, with extreme delight - he speaks, with such facility - I like his style, very much - it was raining fast, at breakfast time, went to church, in the Cab - it did not last, it cleared up again, and was pleasant - Henri, suffers very much - his foot, is also, slightly painful - he retired, very early, this morning - a few persons, Received this morning - Memuma, was not well enough, to go to Mass - her leg pains her - my sweet angels - are in perfect health -

Monday 2nd October - most charming weather - the sun quite warm - rain in the night - it is not to be told, the awful night poor Henri passed; he suffered, most excruciating pain from his hand a then again, violent pain a oppression in his chest - I was very much alarmed - he commenced to suffer very much,

with this measles at 10 o'clock a.m. never took any repose
or eate before or past five o'clock a.m. how
long time, seemed to me, how thankful, I was
when, I heard him ^{say}, he felt, a little better — — he
is much better this morning, I have all hope
of his passing a good night — the wads, dry,
as in summer — clear sundine — a glorious
sun-set — I went to church this aft —
I found, the temperature so delightful —
there was a marriage this morning — and a
few people received — the Reverend Paro —
has always been a doing something —
Harr, has gone back to his strict diet —

Tuesday 3rd October This morning it was pleasant —
about ten o'clock ^{a.m.} it became cloudy — and at
twelve o'clock — rain sat in, in full earnest —
it, cool, chilly, damp, disagreeable — Harr
spent a good night, his hand so very
much better — he got up, this afternoon, laid
on the sofa — in the Bondair — he felt relied,
to be well enough — to leave his bed — having
kept it, all day yesterday — I hope & trust — he
will soon, get, quite rid, of this attack —

Reverend Pere, kindly said Mass for him
this morning — there were again, persons
who Received — every morning, since the
Pere, is here — there have been some
one — Receiving — it is very edifying —
Mamma is better — disagreeable, autumnal
weather — it is lowering this evening — one
feels, low spirited —

Wednesday 4th October Showery all day — not, at all
cold — Henri is better, his hand, not, so swollen —
his foot, thus far, has escaped — the envelope of
wool, did him good — he kept his bed all day —
he took Catapul last night, tathes more, again,
to-night — how thankful I feel, to see him
better — to-day, was Francis's Fête as well as
Dear Willy's — dear children, they presented a
Bouquet to their Uncle, with many good wishes —
a strong South wind — enough water, to keep
five stones spinning, all day — this evening they
put on the isath — a great deal of grain —
at the mill — I received a kind note, from
our bon Cure, this morning — he is quite well —
commenced the Pastoral visit with the Bishop —

on the 2nd inst - what beautiful weather, for
clearing Land - a great many people around
us, are busy at that work - Francis is getting as
much Land cleared, as he can find people, to
do it for him - I long to see Harry well again -
he is a prisoner since last Friday -
it already seems to me, an age -

Thursday 5th October - very pleasant weather -
coolish, but withal, most lovely - after
Luncheon - Reverend Pere Garien left by the Stage
for St Athanase, en route for Montreal - Harry, slept
last night, but, he is still very gouty, complains
of a pain, in his elbow, in his foot, a slight pain
in his shoulder, in fact, he is full of gout -
I very much fear - he will be some time
suffering, from it, more or less - ah! bliss me
I do not like to think of it, however, I must
only be patient & resigned to the will of God! -
Melpie St Aubin came this afternoon to pay his
usual, Thursday visit - he returned before dinner -
Mother arrived at six o'clock P.M. - she has come
to see for us, for a week or so - she is such a
nice little Millennarian - I have such an awful
headache -

Friday 6th October - strong south wind all day - rather cloudy - coolish - Henri, much the same as yesterday, not much improvement -

my dear children are in perfect health, I am thankful for it - a great deal of grit on the Mill - not much water to grind -

Henri ordered the gates to be opened - toll gate No 1 a toll gate No 2 - he is tired of waiting for government to repair the ^{as promised} wads - all the blame, is set, at his door - it is rather too much of a good thing -

this afternoon, before Godard arrived, to spend the time, he will be absent - how consoling, that we should not be left, a day, without, having a Priest near us - such a safe guard - for all the Parish - Henri seems rather better to-night - appearance of fine weather for to-morrow -

Saturday 7th October - lovely weather, quite sun temperature - fine bright sun - the wads beautiful, John is busy giving an autumn dress to his flower plots - in fact, to all, the garden - he took in ^{to} the green house, all his plants last week - Henri, is a little better, he took cold cream & blue pill last night - I hope he may continue

to improve - Mr. R. Jones came up this morning
to see ~~Henry~~ - what charming weather -

Sunday <sup>8th October - It has been cloudy & threatening
rain, all day - it has been also rather coolish
we feel it the more, after the fine warm weather
of yesterday - a great many people at church
to-day - Miss Godard made a very hand-
some discourse - Sur la Confirmation en
Marie - his language, was beautiful, so
eloquent - he will make, a fine eloquent
Preacher, in time - immediately, after Mass
he went on a sick call - twelve persons,
Received - two christenings - he has had, quite
a day of fatigue - he is delicate in health -
Henry is much better - he got up this afternoon -
I am in hopes, if, he continues, to improve, as
much as he has done, since yesterday, he will
soon, get rid of this attack - my dear
children are in perfect health - Mamma
is well - she attended church, to-day -</sup>

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Monday 9th rain all day - not enough, yet, to make the river rise to that sufficient height, to enable both mills to work - as it is, there is not the quantity required, to grind all the grain, there is in the mill - the ground hard a dry - difficult to plough it up - Henry is very much better - he wears no gloves, this afternoon, instead, of his usual warm wrappings - that, is an improvement, his foot, not, painful - a little weak - of course, after, so much suffering - I have such a head-ache, not to be told - Willy, went out with his Uncle, to shoot some birds - this afternoon -

Tuesday 10th October - such beautiful, lovely weather, such a fine bright sun - delightful temperature, I took a long walk - I enjoyed it very much - Willy & Caro went their Uncle to shoot some birds however, they were disappointed - they saw none - dear Caro, this morning, was busy trimming a dress of her own, with velvet ribbon, this afternoon she carried the gun - what a contrast - she enjoys pyffet health - I like to

her, take a great deal of exercise - Bally is growing strong & rugged - Harry is improving in health, daily - I have every hope, he will soon be quite himself again -

Wednesday 11th October - a strong south wind, all day - a fine clear sunshiny - not at all cold - Harry took sunbath with us, at three o'clock he eat a small bit partridge - he had not taken any animal food - ten days - his diet, having begun, pass a milk & bread soup - he went out for a few minutes on the platform - to look at his beautiful fowls - This evening, however, he feels his hand still painful & swollen, he has again, taken a blue pill & colchicum - I hope he will be, much better to-morrow - Mamma, made a nice bouquet from the garden - she was so delighted - Evans, left this morning for London on business - I have a headache to-night - I feel low spirited - water continues low for the grist mill - what a pity - it is always full of grist -

Thursday 12th This morning it was lovely weather,
the children & I enjoyed our walk to church - it
was mild, so pleasant - the wind south -
which indicated rain - at two o'clock P.M.
it commenced to rain, in full earnest -
Francis & Billy were gone out shooting, they
returned drenched with rain - Henry is better,
very much better, but, still, he feels, he has
much grit, burning about him - to-night,
he has again wrapped up, his foot, with
padding & the oil cloth - he has been
wearing, short, since a couple days - it was
perhaps too soon - he has again, taken a
blue pill & cold chicum to-night - it is
a wonder to me, he does, not feel more
unfeigned, after taking so much medicine
to-night it is rainy - much needed, for
the grist mill -

Friday 13th October - Rain last night, cold & damp
this morning - cleared up in the afternoon & pleasant
not at all cold - Henry continued to be much
better - he says, he feels a daily improvement -
withal he is not as well, as, I would wish to see

time — it strikes me, he is still, a little feverish — although, he says not — I have such an awful head-ache to-night — the wads muddy — the water, has not yet risen —

Saturday 14th October This morning, it was cloudy & damp — about two o'clock P.M. the rain commenced to fall in full earnest — to that degree, it may be said, by torrents — to-night, we hear it, peeling in the windows — Lampe, who has just arrived from town — says, the wads are awful — the ditches are full — this a regular fretchet — Henri continues to improve daily — his health, is certainly very much better — my dear children are in perfect health —

Sunday 15th October Rain by torrents — quite a fretchet — a good many people at church, notwithstanding, the bad roads — Henri much much better — I have such an awful headache — I cannot scribble any longer — such & incessant rain, since last evening — it strikes me, the rain, is set in, for some days —

Monday 16th October - This morning the ground
was covered with snow - it quite disappeared, in
the afternoon - the sun, came out fine &
bright - the roads awfully bad - we are
all in readiness to leave to-morrow morning
very early, for the train, to take the first cars
for Montreal - Willy & Caro are so happy
at the thought, of going to the city - for a
few days - Henri is well - although, he
does not, yet, venture to go out - after taking
so much blue pill - it would not be prudent -
God! grant him health, particularly, during,
my absence -

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Tuesday, 17th Oct. Left for town this morning at
1/2 past five o'clock - with James, Willy, Caro, a
child - we had most delightful weather -
no wind - the roads bad - arrived in town, at
1/2 past ten a.m. - I set to work, immediately
after my luncheon - the sun so beautiful &
bright - I left Henri, so very much better -
may he be quite himself again, long before
my return - I met a good many of my
friends, to-day - the old ones & others -

Wednesday 18th Oct a continuation of lousy weather -
dear Cato, has had one of her awful head-aches - I
sent for Dr W. Nelson, he says, she will soon get rid
of them - I dined at Mr Perrault's, spent a pleasant
evening - Cato's Friend, Susan Monroe, came
to dine & spend the ~~the~~ evening with her, she was
so happy to see her - I am rather tired, I have
been very busy all day - Billy played at Steple
Shake, this evening - Woo, a few quince lous -
menon, was so disappointed, at not seeing
Cato come up - Billy enjoyed himself very
well - Esther came in, ^{to - touch} at the same
time, we kiss.

Thursday 19 Oct a beautiful bright day - how
fortunate we are - Cato is quite herself again -
John, my gardener, came in this morning, he says, Steple Shake continues to improve in health -
he writes me, such good accounts about himself -
how happy I am, to hear such good tidings -
Mr Leake arrived this morning from Hyacinthe -
we were so delighted to see - we found him
grown so stout - he left by the off boat for Matane
he will get home to - morrow in the course of the
day - James & I dined at Mr Leake's to - day -
I had the pleasure, of meeting, there, Mrs Frobish, whom

I found looking so well — I have yet, a great deal to do — I will finish my list in the morning — Je suis vraiment fatigué —

Friday 20th Oct Languid the baron tempts — it is really delightful — the sun comes out so bright every day — Mr. Perrault kindly sent me his carriage to-day, dear Mervon, came with us, she is a dear child — I have, at last, quite finished my list — I have packed up — in full reading, to leave, early to-morrow morning may it prove fine — I am really tired to death — my dear children are perfectly pleased & happy — Notidole my maid, is very anxious to get home — she is lonesome — James is not very well — I fancy he will return with me to-morrow — Theodore arrived from La Motteusson to-night at 10 past ten o'clock — he brought me a letter from Ste. Mi — who continues to write me he is very much better —

Mahinian —

Saturday, 21st Oct. This morning when Nurse came to call us up - she said it was pouring rain - however, I did not mind - we ate rose, & got ready to leave at your past five o'clock - James came on with us, when we got on board the boat - the rain, had ceased - the weather became delightful - we had quite a nice morning to get home - it was near eleven o'clock A.M. - when we reached La Chapelle - with a car so happy to get home again - I found Stein, altered, not at all, as well, as I anticipated, after his letter - he had gone as far as the Mill, during my absence - he has yet, a good deal of gout lurking, about him, his right hand, is yet, swollen - I fear, it will, some time, before, he is entirely rid, of this attack — I am very tired - the roads, awfully bad - the plank road, so shaky — I am in a transit quite well — they had no rain, here, this morning —

Sunday 22nd Oct quite a lonely day - a great
many people at church - we were so happy
to hear, our bon Amé, again - he preached
most delightfully, both in English & French -
He is suffers from a pain in his knee -
his right-hand is still swollen - James is
better - Bill is not at all fatigued after his
journey - Caro. feels a little tired - as for
myself I am quite done up - after vespers -
Mr le Amé took out his boat - James, James
the children & Madam - went as far as
Spears - the river was so calm & beautiful
they enjoyed their ride very much -
He retired early this evening, besides Mr. Aubin
came to dine, but Mr le Amé - he returns only
in the morning -

Monday 23rd Oct This morning it looked
threatening rain, it cleared up, & the
weather was pleasant - after breakfast
Mr. Aubin returned to his home -
He passed rather a good night - his knee
is much swollen - his hand very much so -
he got up before lunch - came to take his
meat soup with us - he continues to take blue pill
& Colchicum every night - after lunch

Mr Le Curi, agrees to pay a visit to the Cure of
St Alexandre Despise - appearance of fine
weather for to-morrow - I hope so, as I intend
to send in Nadeau ^{to town} on business -

Tuesday 24th Oct - such perfect beautiful weather - a
hot sun, so bright & delightful - September temperature -
the woods, have dried like in summer, what
a splendid month of Oct, we have had - Henri
is better, but, still, complaining, from a pain, in his
neee - his hand is yet swollen I fear, he will be
a long time, a great sufferer - how sad, to see
him so long deprived of his usual good health -

I took a long walk, with my dear children this
afternoon - Nadeau left early this morning, for
town, to take a poor little orphan, which I have
adopted - Joseph Maymond - he was five years
old last April - he is weak & delicate -

To-night, it is cloudy - it looks like rain
John has got through, a great deal of work,
this autumn - the vegetable garden - has been
nicely manned & draped - I have had a
number of plum trees planted - I hope, they
will do well - Mamma, is quite well -

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Wednesday 25th Oct This morning it looked like rain - however, it soon cleared up, the sun, came out beautiful & bright - summer temperature - the windows, open like in August - after breakfast, the carriage formed a billy went down to Lawshelles, to take fish - they were not successful -

Caro has been busy this day - taking lessons, from Matilde, to make puddings & cakes - dear child, she is so fond of making herself useful - Mammie, went round the garden, & brought in, a nice, bouquet, saying, 'tis just 'en temps d'ete' - Heinie is much better - his knee, not at all painful to-day -

Thursday 26th Oct. Such a continuation of lovely weather - what an extraordinary month of October - Heinie is very much better, although he looks pale & languid - it is not surprising after taking, a blue pill a colchicum every night, since four weeks - Madame returned from town this afternoon - it seems the poor little orphan, cried, & fretted very much, at being left, without her - poor

child, I hope he will soon, get accustomed to his new abode — the roads, are as dry as in summer — with a law enjoy this fine weather — they take much exercise — Watbile, left for town this morning — we had too we witnessed such a glorious sun-set, this evening — the sky was beautifully tinged, with red, the aspect of those golden clouds, was magnificent — appearance, of another lovely day for to-morrow — ^{put in} promised, to use, a very pretty dinner lett-to-day — University ~~Patte~~ pattern —

Friday 27th Oct such warm weather, quite sunnier again — Henry went out, to the mills, and every where about the establishment — it is really truly delightful, to enjoy such fine weather, so unusual at this season — this afternoon, we le. Cire, James, Willy, Carl and myself went in the Steamboat — we never enjoyed ourselves better, we could not refrain, from exclaiming, at every instant, what a lovely temperature! what beautiful weather — the river was beautifully calm — we visited Saracina grove, Li^oconderoga; Three-Rivers, in fact, we took

about
it very leisurely - I enjoyed for a few hours -
the heat, had been out, in the morning -
the heat was so lively, it was impossible to
remain in the house - poor James, is
not very well - Mamma goes out in the
garden, every day - the manager, to find a
bouquet - bring it in - Francis is so busy
getting land cleared - a great deal of
ploughing, done - a beautiful sunset -
fine weather again to-morrow -

Saturday 28th Oct - It is, still, more, Summer
to-day - so warm, the doors & windows, left
open, like in August - very extraordinary
weather for the season - we quite forget we
are so advanced, in Oct - the roads, perfectly dry
& good - grasshoppers to be seen every where -
myriads of flies - all, this so unusual, for this
time, of the year - John, took in, his, turnips
from the field, yesterday - the field carrots, were
also brought in - my vegetable garden - is all
dry and manured - so much work, has been
done during this magnificent weather -
Henry has been out, all day - he is weak,

he requires more nourishment, I fear, he does not take enough — Willy & Curo are in perfect health — James, is triste — I wish he would rally, I do not like to see him, so out of spirits —

Sunday 29th Oct — very warm this afternoon, a very great many people at church — this afternoon, after vespers, it commenced to rain — we're curé, ~~etc~~ went to Ferryville to remain there till to-morrow — the weather is oppressive, I do not like it, it is not healthy — James is not well — he is nervous — James is better, his trousse, not so swollen as last night — he took colchicum & blue pills again last evening — he had been a few days, without taking any — I have such a head-ache — I cannot scribble, any longer — I have eighty turkeys, for my winter provision — we commenced to eat, however, to-day — John, gave celery to-day — for the first time.

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Monday 30th Oct - oppressively warm, all day, to that degree, ~~very~~ one, complaining of the heat - after luncheon, Francis & James went to the Cotta Manufactory, they returned by the Key - found the ~~roads~~ beautiful - the horses travelled, delightfully - poor James, is not well - he passed a bad night - Henri is very much better, he went out to walk - his hand, is still swollen and a little painful - mamma brought in strawberries, in blossom - what an extraordinary season! - Billy is so delighted, with a nice little dog, which he has purchased - Fanny, she is intelligent - good for ~~for~~ the partridge - a lovely evening - appearance of fine weather - quite summer weather,

Tuesday 31st Oct Showery all day - very warm - disagreeably so - it rained a great deal, during the night - they are busy making laths, for the new cottages - Henri is much better - he has not, been out to day - James is better - his long drive, of yesterday, did him good - my dear Richards, are in perfect health - this evening rain

by Torrents. it thundered - sign, of a fine open autumn -

Wednesday 1st November - this morning it was still very mild, a cloudy - a great many people at church - and a great number Received - Mr. Le Cire made a most beautiful discourse on Purgatory - this afternoon, the weather became very cold, now - more cold - a fine autumnal change - delightful, clear weather - the roads very muddy, after all the rain of last evening - James, Billy, Lou and I Received this morning - may our United Prayers, be heard - Henry is very much better - still, he was not well enough, to go to church, to - day -

Thursday 2nd November - perfectly beautiful weather, quite cold - Bracing - quite a crowd at church & a very great many Received - it was very edifying - what a solemn a touching ceremony is the Commemoration of the dead - very strong, speaks, to the mind to the heart - what reflections, to be made, on the futilities - of all, that surrounds us - in this miserable world - to which, we cling, so much;

the Altar, covered in Chado - the vestments, marvelous,
the decorations all, announcing, that we are
assembled, to pray - for the departed - mourning,
a silence - how solemn! - Mammie was afraid
of coming out to - day - the experienced, anxiously,
about her chest - She is better to - night - Henry
went out to - day - this evening, he complains of
a slight pain in his foot - Henry arrived in the
stage - it was blowing an hurricane - a fine
clear moonlight -

Friday 3rd November - Lovely sunny weather - cold,
to what, we have had, to complain off -
the roads, are good - they are busy making
laths - Mammie is much better - Henry took
cold cream & blue pill last night - he ^{had} been
out, to - day - it was too windy - although, he is
much better - - Willy's favorite little dog - has, two
pretty winnie pups -

Saturday 4th November - very cold - we have been
by surprise, as it were - it is cold cold - quite
a change - it froze very hard, last night -
the roads, have remained, frozen a hard - this
morning, at 1/2 past five o'clock, Henry returned

to town - Basside surgeon drove him to the joints -
Mamma is not well, she feels this change of
temperature - Henri very much better, he was
out a good deal to day - Farrier, much
better - in better spirits - What a beautiful
clear, moonlight, very cold - dear wife
a few are in perfect health - always so
gay & happy - I feel thankful for it -
They commenced to lath, the Gardener's house
this afternoon - such a glorious sunset, as we
had this afternoon - evening -

Sunday 5th November - very cold - the stones - not
up, in church - we found it very cold -
but, fine bright weather, such a beautiful
clear sky - delightful sunshine - the ground
frozen very very hard - ice in the ditches
will break out it - Mespin & Aubin came
to dine with us he left - a returned home
after dinner - a beautiful moonlight -
Henri very much better - went to grand'mas
for the first time, since five weeks - Mamma
is not well -

Monday 6th November - Disagreeable, cloudy, dry - damp. Strong south wind - cold - very unpleasant & Henri went down to the Falls - he goes about as usual - Mamma is better - Jules, is still nervous & unhappy - it looks like snow - the Farmer, could not plough to - dry - the ground too hard - it is blowing a perfect hurricane, to-night - Mepine Fitzgerald arrived in time for dinner - to-day we commenced to make the hours of adoration in the vestry -

Tuesday 7th November This morning it was raining by torrents - it cleared up in the forenoon - after luncheon Mepine Le Burj, left by the stage for St Athanase to take the first train, to-morrow morning for Montreal - Jules passed a bad night - he is very nervous - the weather is cloudy, but mild - they have finished batting the houses there, will be here to-morrow to plaster & make the shermies - we heated the stoves this morning, in church for the first time, they were put up yesterday afternoon - I am delighted at it, it makes it so comfortable & pleasant -

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Wednesday 8th November - This morning, it snowed - with a strong N. W. wind - after breakfast, Mr Fitzgerald returned to Dunham - the wads, are frozen hard - Plaster came this morning, to commence to plaster, and make the Chimneys, of the cottages, on the other side of the River - it has been blowing an hurricane all day - Stein continue very much better, in health - he intends, leaving to-morrow morning early for Montreal - it is not very cold, to-night - but very windy - my Dairy Maid, is still very unwell - since eight-days - she has been incapable of doing her work - James continues to be very nervous -

Thursday 9th November. This morning at just five o'clock Stein left for town - for the first time, since June - the weather was dry a cold, 6 degrees below - a most beautiful bright moon - making it as light as day - the wind was rather strong from the N. W. - poor Stein must have felt it, driving to St Jolens - he went alone, in his waggon - the wads were frozen - the Sun was out all day, with a Caro benefit, of the fine tracing weather, they were out playing the whole day long -

I was busy, getting my bed-room carpet up a
Shaker, to make all comfortable & sweet for
winter - I got my provision of eggs put
down in the cellar - made various other
arrangements for the season - poor James,
is in a ^{most} pitiable nervous state - I wish it
would wear away, soon - it is so sad, to
see him, so low spirited - I rejoice, there
has such fine dry weather - although, cold -
I sent[#] for fresh fish[#], to the Bay, this afternoon -
they do not take any more with the net -
there, being ice - formed, to some distance
on the Bay - the boys - were skating -
here, among the logs, which lie, within the
boom, the ice is thick enough, to bear
a large stick, thrown upon it - they
were busy, arranging the booms to-day -

Friday 10th November - La Rivière and us all
to Chakpiss - but a faint banzé - this morning
the river was covered over with a pretty thick
sheet of ice - my poor duchies, went down
to the river, as usual, to enjoy their swimming
but, no water to be found all, frozen up -

however, I do not believe, it will be of long duration,
it is very much milder, a appearance of rain, to-night.
These, took advantage, of the change of temperature, he
put up one of the shennies, this afternoon —
the men, have been hard at work, arranging the
rooms, a sending up the scattered logs, in one room,
the ice, was so taken, they had much work a
trouble — they will not, complete their job — before
to-morrow — James is rather better, to-night,
if he could, only, have, one good night's, rest —
it would do him so much good — Cava
did not go out to-day — she had a little irruption
out, on her thighs a legs — I did not know, what,
it might be — I fancy, she overheated herself —
by running, too-much — she has a slight
head-ache to-night — I fully expect James
to-morrow morning — may be, have, fair
weather, to return home —

Saturday 11th November, it rained last night, by torrents,
and all this morning — notwithstanding the bad weather
Henry a Tobisher arrived from town, at 10 past ten o'clock
a.m. — they were drenched with rain — Henry, is well,
does not feel any bad effects, from travelling in the
wet — He returned after luncheon, from

At Athanase, having crossed over from Montreal, last evening — James was so delighted to see Yoke — it has done him good — he is better this evening — it is very wild but very damp — it threatens rain, again — dear Caro has again a head-ache, this morning —

Sunday 12th November — continuation of wild weather, Cloudy and damp — few people at church — in consequence of the badness of the roads — after vespers — we — he, wife, Francis, James, Yoke — a willy went in the steamboat — they enjoyed their trip, very much — it looks, very much like rain — Fern did not venture out, to-day — it was so damp & cloudy — if this wild weather, continues, the habitants, will be able, to continue their ploughing — the water, has much risen — the river is like in summer — the ice, has quite disappeared —

Mond^{ay} 13th November. Much rain, the greatest part of the day - in the afternoon, it cleared up - the weather is mild - very damp - the roads, are very bad - this morning Fisher left at six o'clock - ^{am.} Lafrance drove in, to the fols in two hours and a quarter - Harry is not very well - he took cold, owing to me on Saturday - he has a swelling again, in his right hand - he proposes taking a little colchicum a blue pill to-night - this has finished, putting up, all the shutters - he is now, busy, plastering the houses - he hopes to complete them, this week - it is getting rather colder, this evening - they are now sawing, in full earnest - the water, is high -

Tuesday 14th November. a mild pleasant day, the roads
very bad - appearance of mild weather, for some
time - John has planted, a handsome, hedge of
Balsam - he will quite complete it to-morrow -
Henry is not well, his hand, much swollen, his elbow
rather painful - Caro is well again - she took a
blue jill, last night - it has done her, so much
good - James is very much better - almost quite
himself again - Willy went out with Uncle, with
his favorite dog - Tarry, she is capital for the partridge -

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Wednesday 15th November. Cloudy & damp - very
windy - Stein kept his bed all day - he
suffers from his hand - his foot, is also
a little painful - he continues to take coldemicum
or blue will - dear Caw, very much better -
Meier, brought down the remainder of his logs -
this afternoon - water is high ^{but} not exceedingly
so, for this time, of the season -- James continues
to improve daily, in spirits & health --
appearance of rain to-night - we have
got the tabernacle of the antel at liver, nicely
arranged - Kelly is quite well --

Thursday 16th November - Windy weather - very fine
for the season - rather damp - the roads very
bad - the Farmer, finished ploughing, the
large field, next to the stable - it is beautifully
done - Stein is a little better - although his
hand & wrist much swollen - his feet very
tender - we have just gone to Haniville, after
Lemuel - returned, for dinner - Caw is
weak & languid - I hope she will soon
rally, & be quite herself again -

Friday 14th November - This morning it was fair -
the sun came out - in the afternoon the weather
became most disagreeable, damp - sleety - snow,
the platform was covered with snow -
Hermi continues better - Cano is improving,
she is not so weak as yesterday - she went
out this morning to breathe fresh air -
Old Mother Gallifot was buried this morning -
she had a very solemn service sang for
her - they had, asked for the organ - a great
many attended - they gave tapers, to those present -
the roads are awful - - what horrible weather
this weather, although it is not cold - -

Saturday 15th In the morning it was raining, sleety
disagreeable - in the afternoon it cleared up for
a short time - & then rained again - Puissemon,
Secretary of the Diocese of Gyacinte, arrived after
lunch - he slept the evening at le Athanase -
he brought a letter, from our very much
esteemed Bishop - asking me, to be Marraine
of the bell - for his Church - le Lafranboise, is
also, Marraine - Hermi is better this morning, after
having spent, such an awful night, I never

saw him - in such continued pain - for so many consecutive hours together - the pain, was in his foot - he was so worn out, from suffering - that towards morning, he took $3/4$ grain of Morphine - it made him feel very easy, all day - to-night is better, I hope, he will have a good night's rest - Whicker arrived to-night at past nine a dark night, awful roads - he is quite fatigued - Basile, has gone for him in the morning, —

Sunday 19th November - notwithstanding the rain and bad roads - there were a great many people at church - Missie Moreau - being grand Messe - the Curé read the Bishop's Pastoral letter, in English - he had translated it very nicely - he had most brilliant, bespers - the Curé sang, all the time - at Salut - he sang the Memorare most beautifully - he sings, with so much tactly - Missie St Aubin came to dine with us, he remains, until to-morrow - the roads are too bad, to travel at night - Henri is much better, although, he did not, leave his

bed to day — his foot, is very much better, quite on
the mend — Hammer is well, she went to church
to day — Cato is well again —

Monday 20th November quite cold & dry weather — the
ground frozen — this morning, Frobisher left for
town at five o'clock — as usual, Basile, drove him
in to St John — after breakfast, before St Aubin
returned home — and after luncheon, Mr le Cine
a Messie Moreau left for St Athanase — en route,
for Montreal — they will take the first train in the
morning — Flan is much better, he got up, for
lunch — if, he continue, to improve as, he has done
since two days — he will soon, be, quite well again —
James is always very nervous — I hope the fine
cold bracing weather, will restore him, to his usual
good health — the holes, are dreadful to day —
Mr le Cine drove himself, in his waggon —
Willy & Cato are well —

Tuesday 21st November — lovely weather, a fine
bright sun — not too cold — just pleasant — the roads
are shocking — Willy drove James as far as the grand line,
they had such a shaking — for this time of the season,

the weather is certainly very pleasant —

Henry is very much better — I hope & trust, in a few days he will quite himself again — to-night it is cloudy — I took a long walk, with dear Cao — she complains of a pain in her hus — I hope, it is only a growing pain —

Wednesday 22nd November, eight inches of snow — has fallen to-day — the weather very mild — to-night the snow is melting, it is very mild — indeed — Mr le Cire f returned, from town, this afternoon — he cropped, this morning, at eight o'clock — my Dairy Maid, returned from her Father's, this evening, she came in a slight — Henry is much better — James has been very nervous, the whole day — he is rather better to-night — John butchered, six pigs; this morning — they weighed 1,343 lbs — the largest of them, 361 — they have given — a great deal of Lard — Nadeau is busy making sauages a black-pudding — dear Cao had an awful nervous head-ache to-day — obliged to go to bed — dear child! she is much better to-night —

Thursday 23rd November - quite a winter's day - good
sleighting - Francis & James went to the Cloth Factory
Francis drove himself, with the two canadian horses -
they found the roads very good - Mr. le Cure
was after luncheon, to St George, returned for dinner
During his absence, Mepine desoroy, curé of St. Alexandre,
came to pay him a visit - he is a nice person -
Dusnits, put up, the double latches to-day - a the
out side doors - we are now, comfortable for winter -
Hans continues better - Willy's cold, is on the mend - Hans
is quite herself again - I hope James will derive benefit
from his long drive, that he will have a good night's
rest - the trees, are loaded with snow - a fine moon -
light - appearance of a bright day for to-morrow -
three degrees of cold, only.

Friday 24th Nov^r No more snow - it has all melted
away - since the morning - after breakfast, Hans
& James drove down to the Falls - they found the
roads, bare, in some places - the snow melting fast
this afternoon - carts & wagons, passed, as usual -
the sleighs, are again put away - Mr. le Cure, went
on a sick call, Monti, came for him - Hans went
to the Mill this afternoon - it was raining, when he
returned - James is rather better this ^{evening} - Willy coughs
less - dear Carlo is ~~well~~ - the weather very cold - raining

Saturday 25th November - not a particle of snow, to be seen any where - it is like Spring - so mild - during luncheon, a heavy shower of rain fell, with vehemence, strong south wind, the roads, amply muddy - the saw mill stopped yesterday from sufficient quantity of water for both mills - however, it has risen to-day - very probably, it will again, be operation next week - Stein continues better - was out to-day, poor James, is in a pitiable state - so nervous - will be cold very much better - uncommon mild weather for the season -

Sunday 26th Nov^r It rained all night - again this morning by torrents - I went to church, in the cake - so that raining so much - the roads, of course, very bad - few people at Mass - Stein only went out this afternoon, the weather cleared up - the sun came out - James is rather better - these, unfortunate, nervous sensations - are off, & on - they make him very miserable - a strong south wind, to-night -

Monday 27th Nbr. This morning very windy & disagreeable
Snow & the river very high - the Ice mill is again
in operation if this open season, continue, a
fortnight more - all, the logs, will be hauled up -
in the afternoon - the weather cleared up - the sun,
was fine & bright, rather colder - Mr. Young
Professor of Music, ~~at~~ to John, came this afternoon
to tune, my Piano - we sent him back to to John
immediately after he ~~had~~ done his work - the roads,
are awful - appearance of frost to-night - James
is not, as well, as yesterday -

Tuesday 28th Nbr. A most pleasant day - not
cold - the sun came out frequently & thawed
the frost of last evening - the roads, very slippery
I have pushed up - to go to Montreal to - tomorrow
morning - Hennia must rise very early, as we
must leave at five o'clock - the first train
leaves to John, at $3\frac{1}{4}$ past seven A. M. -
I hope we shall have fine weather to go a
return - it is mild & pleasant this evening
appearance of fine weather -

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Wednesday 29th November - This morning Henri & I, left for town, at $4\frac{1}{2}$ just four - the roads, very bad - we had a fine clear starry sky, to light us on, on our early journey - we reached the fortis at seven o'clock a.m - then I left the fortis at $3\frac{1}{4}$ just seven $\frac{1}{2}$ by the first train - arrived in town - at $4\frac{1}{2}$ just nine - the weather truly beautiful - the sun out, so fine & bright - not at all cold - I wore my shawl - I am fatigued this evening - having risen, so early this morning -

Thursday 30th November The weather very disagreeable, quite cold, a piercing wind - it looks winter in full earnest - We dined at Mr Perrault's - very cold, returning home, this evening - Henri is not well - I fear, he will have an attack of the gout in his foot - he has taking taken cold - having, forgotten to bring a warmer over coat - I am afraid, he will again, be a martyr - poor Henri! how sad - — I received a letter from my dear Willy - they are all well at home - I was rejoiced to hear from my dear son - what what to-night -

Friday 1st December - home again, thank Providence! we left Montreal this morning at eight o'clock - it was bitter cold - no doubt this is winter - no mistake - des bordages - we reached La Malbaie at 11 past twelve having been detained at St. John's for half an hour - I found, all my people, in perfect health, that is, to the exception of poor James, who continues very nervous & out of spirit -

Willy & Cato so happy & delighted to see me back - I have brought a magnificent ornament wngs, made à la Providence - destined, as Flora, my Condeau, for the Bell of the Cathedral of Hyacinthe Henri is suffering very much from the gout in his foot - is not too bad - poor Henri, he passed a bad night - Winter set in to-day in full earnest

Saturday 2^d December - a perfect winter's day - so cold - every thing frozen up - the saw mill stopped this morning for the season - the river quite frozen - the sun bright & cold - to night 11 degrees - to-night Henri has the gout in his two feet, his knee & his right hand - can any thing be more, painful - it is really disheartening que la volonté de Dieu soit faite - borne well de pire pour pour nous! - - - I am very tired -

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Sunday 3rd December. Notwithstanding, there are no winter roads yet, there were a great many people at Church — mamma went to church, in the Cab — Harry is much the same — he passed rather a better night than I anticipated — last night — the church Bell rang for an hour, to announce to the Parish — that, to — day, the festive — was commenced — it will last three months — so, as to facilitate every body — to make it — a profit of such abundant graces — it is cold a cloudy — appearance of snow — Will shaded before & after vespers — enjoyed himself very much — the ground, is so well prepared for snow — it is much needed — I hope Harry will rest well to — night —
Car complains of a slight head-ach — dear child, I hope she will soon be rid of it altogether —

Monday 4th Dec. This morning every here & there there were banks of snow — a great pity, the roads are yet, very rough — we went to church in the sleigh — quite a journey — and a picnic

cold wind - Henry is better, although, he has the gout
in both feet, both knees and his right hand -
he has no fever - and has had no paroxysms since
last Saturday - God grant, he may soon get
rid, of this dreadful malady - My dear Willy
is fourteen years old to-day - dear boy -
may he continue to improve, as he has done
thus far - both in mind & appearance - he is
good a friend - may he always retain those
sublime sentiments - is my daily prayer -
it is snowing very fast, not so cold, as this
morning - M^r St Aubin, has come to dine
with us - he remains till to-morrow -
dear L^a is quite well - she & Willy amused themselves
shovelling snow -

Tuesday 5th Dec. - most bitter cold weather - again a
snow storm - last night at eleven o'clock, Henry
Fowler & Theodore arrived by the stage on
wheels - in such a depth of snow - they had
left Montreal at 12 o'clock & had been kept in the
ice five hours - at last they reached, St Lambert -
the snow drifts along the road - was dreadful -
they made a voyage de misere - Henry is better -
I hope he will get up to-morrow - James,

Much about the same - appearance of a heavy
fall of snow - Misericorde Aubin, returned home
after breakfast - very cold & windy -

Wednesday 6th Dec. A snow storm all day -
if winter, continues to be as severe as it has been,
since, it is hot, in - it will indeed be a very
bitter one - so much snow, has already fallen -
as to make us fancy ourselves in Liberia -
Henry is much the same - his pain, painful -
Francis James went to the Cloth Factory -
quite a long drive - Willy has been driving
about a good deal to day - he likes his
car or convertible so much - it is a
cadet from his nurse - also took a
drive with Froh - this afternoon, they took out
the Toboggan - James is very nervous - I hope
his long drives, will do him good - & give him
a good night's rest -

Thursday <sup>7th Dec. - a heavy fall of snow again, to - day -
What a severe winter, we seem, to have in store -
the depth of snow, is already very great - and this is,
only, the seventh day of winter - poor Henry suffered
during the night from a pain in his hues -
he is better to - day - he still, keeps his feet a hues,
wrapped up, ⁱⁿ oil cloth - he still keeps his bed -
how sad to see him, so often, taken with this awful
pout - James went to Bedford after luncheon,
Henry drove him, in Henry's cutter - he is better
this evening - Mammie is suffering from her
leg - it is snowing fast to - night - such
heavy walls in some places, so accumulated,
as to make it, almost impasseable -</sup>

Friday <sup>8th Dec. a most awful boisterous morning -
the snow heaped up to that degree, to prevent
people from coming out - very few attended
church - in consequence - we had a most
beautiful Mass - the Procession after Mass, was so
grand a surprise - the Madonna, the Cori carried
wound, the alter, is very handsome - it is a Cadeau
from with a Card - an Offering, which, they will
never forget, on such a mournable day -
Frolisher played the organ, most delightfully - the</sup>

roads, even, from here to church, are hardly beaten
that morning early, my dear children & myself went
to Receive - there was no track - the snow very
deep - this afternoon - the sun came out
fine & bright, but very cold - 14 degrees, to-night.
Mamma's leg was so painful - she did not
come downstairs all day - poor Henry is
still a martyr to that awful gout - his hands
very painful - he did not sleep last night -
he is much altered - I feel so out of spirits,
to see him, in such a state - James is
a shade better -

Saturday 9th Dec. This morning at 4 a past four
Henry & Lobisher left for St. Johns en route
for Montreal - Beaile shows them - we are all
anxiety to know, them, safe over the St. Lawrence
they have had a most beautiful bright day -
not but intensely cold this morning - when they
left, there was no less, than 21 Degrees cold -
it diminished, the weather became very
fine & pleasant - after breakfast we be one
went to St. George - returned in the afternoon - he
says the roads are beautiful - James
drove to Bedford - he went for some oak

he also found the wounds very good - appearance of
more snow to-night - Henri is better still, suffering
from his knee - he took Morphine last night -
he is pale, weak, & languid - what I give to see
him well: James is much the same - and
has again a headache this evening -

Sunday 10th Dec. It blew a perfect hurricane, all
night - this morning it was mild, the snow
much accumulated in many places - a
great many people at church - Mr. C. C.
announced the commencement of the Exercises
of the guitar, to-morrow at 2 o'clock P. M. -
he expects three or four Priests, to come
a help him, during these few busy days -
This afternoon, the weather was boisterous, snow
again - the water, has much risen, on the
ice - after recess, the singers, practiced
practiced for Christmas - Mamma's leg - is
very painful - Henri, not much better, his
knee, still very stiff - continues to keep his bed
at this time; how long a tedious - to see him
in this constant state of pain - James received
a note from Broth - they reached town in safety -
after much bad roads and the crossing very difficult -

Lundi 11th Dec. - lovely weather - fine & bright - after all the snow of these few days past - the roads are full this afternoon at 2 o'clock - M^{me} le Cure opened the Exercises of the Jubilee, by the Salut - & commenced the Confession - at 4 o'clock, M^{me} le Aubin arrived to tender his services, a few moments after, M^{me} Dupin, & M^{me} Detroy came for the same purpose - a little later, M^{me} le Creux C^{ur} le de Charles arrived - he is to Preach during the three Days - I feel so happy & delighted, to see them all - Henni still keeps his bed - his knee very stiff & painful by times - Mamma's leg is better - just as much the same.

Mardi 12th Dec. - A most beautiful day, the sun out, so brilliant - it is quite enlivening - the roads, very good - a great many people at church - probably, a great number Received this morning - Henni better, he got up - passed the day in his Boudoir - his knee is still painful & is much altered - weak & pallid - I hope & trust, he will soon, rally - & be quite himself again - Mamma's leg much better, yet, she is desirous of going to church - James drove to Robindou's, this afternoon - I sincerely hope this fine weather may continue

so as to enable, all our good Parishioners to attend church regularly - a profit, of this time grace - may we all feel its importance - mend our ways - Mesme Preacher preaches most beautifully - I have never heard, any thing better - Mesme Fitzgerald left for St John's this morning -

Wednesday 13th Dec - It has been boisterous all day - but not, at all cold - a strong south wind, since last night notwithstanding, a great many people at church - & so many Received it is quite edifying - Henri continues to leave his room - he comes in the Boudoir - to day he went about, the other apartments - he is weak - to night, his knee pained him - Janned is better - Mesme Preacher's discourse to day, was sublime - he is so, impressive in his expressions - his delivery excellent - his deportment, so distinguished - by its certainty, an admirable Preacher - I feel so proud, to think, that, he is a Canadian - he is one of the best of the Canadian Clergy - he has Salut every day at 2 O'Clock - during the French Lesson - Notre Dame gives an English Instruction to the Little in the Men's Hall - my dear children & myself intending making our journey to-morrow - poor Henri, is advised for the present, of participating to all these graces - very mid-appearance of fine weather for to-morrow.

Thursday 14th Dec - very mild & pleasant, although cloudy -
 it is hard to be told the number of people, who
Received to - many - there was quite a crowd at
 church - the wads are good, in some places,
 rather full - but, upon the whole, the weather
 has been favorable, during these days of Salvation
 & Prayer - may we all reap, such an abundance
 of grace, as, to make us like, as good Christians -
 a profit of the Salutary Instructions, which have
 been given to us, with so much feeling and eloquence
 this morning, Francis, James, Billy, Len & myself made
 our Publ Rec at Gaspe St Aubin's Mass -
 heard Gaspe Prieur's - en action de graces -
 I never felt, more happy - how much I regretted
 poor them, could not be ^{one} of the number -
 poor Thannomia has also been desirous of attending -
 this aft, a magnificent Salut at 4 o'clock - at the
Closure of the Exercises - I feel a regret - it should, so
 soon be over - I never saw the Altar so brilliant
 and beautiful - it was a most magnificent Salut,
Gaspe Prieur, assisted by Misses St Aubin a
Deacon officiated - a great many people attended
 the dehui your - so much added - to render the
 ceremony still more impressive - upwards of
 five hundred a fifty persons, have Received
 during these few days -

Yesteray 15th Dec - most beautiful mild weather, quite a thaw - a fine, bright sun - this morning after Messire Crevier, a Messire Dupuis, messire de la font had said their Mass - they left, for their respective homes - Messire M^{me} Aubin only left, after taking an early dinner - Mr le Cure & James took him home. Henri is better to-day - after suffering, last night from his hance - he eat, a little partridge yesterday, and to-day - he had been eleven days, on nothing a broth diet - he is looking pale & weak - Thamme much better - my dear children a marveille - it is astonishing, how much the snow, has melted away - in the garden, some parts of it are bare -

Saturday 16th Dec. Mild a beautiful - if it continue so the snow will all go - however, this afternoon, it was rather colder - a fine bright sky - Henri continues to improve slowly - James not so well to-day - very nervous - he has not been out driving, since a couple days - I have a head-ache a little fatigued - the woods are beautiful -

Sunday 17th Dec. Intensely cold, what a sudden
change of temperature since yesterday — the
woods, most beautiful — very great many
people at church — this afternoon, it looks
cloudy — appearance of snow — after vespers,
Mr. the Curé, left, for Henni-ville, to remain
there, until next Friday — he goes, to tender his
services, to Missin St. Aubin, during the jubilee,
which, commences there, to-morrow —
still very cold — in froid vif —

Monday 18th Dec. — continuation of cold weather —
Mamie has not been well to-day — complained
of being oppressed — her leg very painful — Henri is
better, still not well enough to venture out —
after luncheon, James went to Nicé's foundry —
the woods, very good — he did not enjoy his
drive — he found it so cold — this morning
a little snow — in the afternoon the sun came
out — it is cold, very cold — —

Tuesday 19th Dec. This morning 23 degrees cold - a
beautiful bright sun - the roads very good, to the
exception of the grand line, where, they are very bad -
from the immense accumulation of snow drift -
to much, for the shutting up of the toll gates in autumn,
by the request, of the habitants - poor fools! how
will they draw immense loads of wood, to 4 feet?
it is now, they perceive, their ignorance a mistake -
Hannmar is better - Henri says, he still feels, the
gout, thinking about his system - James spent
a bad night - it is intensely cold to-day -
Caro has not dared, to go out - she is so
subject, to get frost-bitten -- butchered a piggy
to-day weighing 332 lbs - very fat -

Wednesday 20th Dec. - Very cold 28 degrees this morning -
a beautiful fine clear sky - bright sun - the roads
about the Township very good - the water good -
the grist mill, well occupied - Henri much better,
I hope he will go out to-morrow - will a
Caro a merville - Nadeau made lots of black
pounding, sausages, a collared head - all very delicious -
James, still very nervous - not near so cold
as it was this morning -

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Thursday 21st Dec. This morning the weather, was pleasant - not very cold - after luncheon Henri & James drove down to the Falls - Henri had not been out, since three weeks - it was snowing fast, when, he did go out, on his return, it blew a perfect hurricane from the South, accompanied, with a heavy fall of snow - quite a fondue - Caro has been occupied this aft, making peignes with Matilde - they are delicious - James is rather better to-day - with a caro very skating, all the morning, opposite the house - fine glare ice -

Friday 22nd Dec. A beautiful bright day, but very very cold. Henri walked to the Mill - I fear he will feel bad effects, from going out, in such intense cold - He le Rire returned from St George, this afternoon - rather fatigued, from his occupations, of the week - the Bishop, who sojourned a couple days, at Missie M Rubin, returned to-day to his home - the roads are very good - I have a cold - I hope it will not last -

Saturday 23rd Dec. Such intense wid, all day - notwithstanding, Henry, went down to the Halls - the consequence, is, that he is, not well to-night - I really fear he is going to have another attack of gout - Nadeau, is busy preparing for the great Feast of to-morrow night - James, continues to be nervous - dear Clio has had a most awful head-ache, all day, & even, this evening, she still suffers - dear child, she is quite altered - and in such pain; - I sincerely hope, she will all right to-morrow -

Sunday 24th Dec. quite wild, now - poor Henry past a bad night - he has the gout in both feet - I fear it will be a severe attack - Clio's head-ache very much better - a great many people at Mass - to-night at 10 o'clock, we heard the first bell ~~ringing~~ ringing, to announce the approaching Feast - but a few moments before mid-night, the church door, was opened, to the dense crowd, who came, to witness, the imposing solemn mid-night Mass - the church was beautifully lighted - the altar, most brilliant, the Choir was dazzling with purple a beauty,

the Coup Noil - was magnificent - a great many persons received - it was a most joyous impressive ceremony - altogether - a great number of strangers - all so well behaved - so respectful - when I returned I found poor still suffering very much, he continued to be in great pain the remainder of the night - he experienced a Malaise, which made me anxious - I had recourse to Mustard Liniment - it was five o'clock A.M. when he felt some relief - I am worse - fatigued playing the organ, so much - James is better -

Monday 25th ~~to see~~ - It rained all the morning the snow melting away fast - a great crowd at Mass this morning - Le Curé spoke both in English & French - he preached delightfully in both languages - this afternoon Repos were at 1/2 past four - I cannot describe the Magnificence of the Altar, it was most brilliantly lighted - the Violin so beautifully decorated with additional lights - it was perfectly dazzling - the taburet - was truly beautiful - I never saw it, so splendidly decorated - Le Curé sang l'Angélus very

Sweetly - I forgot to mention that the Antiques bottle
at midnight - my & morning Mass were very
nicely done - considering the small time there was
came to grand' Mass - before Liturgical - just
arrived in time for dinner - I wrote to Dr. Wight
to-day to come up to see Henri - I hope he
will not fail to come - poor Henri! he continues
to suffer very much - I am anxious -

Tuesday 26th Dec - very mild - quite a raw - Henri
suffered most excruciatingly all night - a the
greatest part of the forenoon - he took more
cocchicium to try alleviate the paroxysms - which
were dreadful - about 2 o'clock <sup>11th he fell a little when
I was so glad to see Dr. Wight - he prescribed
also for jarned - Henri is better to night -
he took milk with lime water - he likes it -
coletricum in loden water, that, he also likes,
very well - Dr Le Cure left this morning for
St Charles - Badile, drives ^{far} there & back again -
he is gone there for the jubile - Transis
Theodore & Willy went to Thraunitz's Cloth factory
with the horses breakfast - very nicely he was delighted
with his drive, having never been in that direction
before - the roads passably good - much grain
in the hill to night - they are grinding
in great style - water, not plentiful</sup>

Wednesday 27th Dec It rained all night, and had continued to do so, all day - it is quite a thaw - Henri slept last night - he is better - James very nervous - we are told, that the cropping opposite Montreal - is still done, in cances - this soft weather, & rain, will put off the ice from taking - my dear children are in perfect health - I feel very thankful, for it - this continued rain - will give much water to the mill -

Thursday 28th Dec - uncommon mild weather - a perfect thaw - the snow so soft a watery - Billy went out with the Mares - they had not been tackled for some time - Thuri did not sleep much - he took too much whiskey yesterday, with Loda - it moved him to that degree, to weaken him - he has been rather better, to day - I hope he will get up to - morrow - James is a shade better - dear Caro threatens, having a head-ache this evening - I hope it may dispel - Caro drove to the Falls, with her brother - it looks like snow, to - night - much water, in the woods -

Friday 29th Dec. The weather was mild this morning —
after mid-day it became cold & froze, hard. —
a pleasant change after the thaw — Last night at
or just sime 8 o'clock, Mr Larkins & Mr Vincent,
arrived here, to transact business, with farmed —
Henry is better, so got up to-day — went about the
house — his feet were very much swollen, when
he retired to-night — I fear he has yet a great
deal of joint cracking about him — my dear
Willy is not well he complains of an oppression
of the chest last evening — he bathed his feet to-night —
I hope he will be, all right again, to-morrow —

Saturday 30th Dec. Fine & bright, but very cold — the
roads a perfect glare of ice — Henry continues on the
mild — Willy still continues to suffer from an
oppression — however, he is better to-night —
dear Paro has a violent pain in her knee —
I fancy it is a growing pain — James is rather
better — Mr Larkins complains of a thumatic
pain in his back — Mammie coughs — she
took the to-night — such a lovely moonlight —
I am low-spirited — God, grant we may
commence the New Year — all, in better
health & spirits this will be done! —

Sunday 31st Dec. - a most perfect lovely day -
A bright temperature - fine bright sun
the woods, beautiful, a glare of ice, all over -
in some parts, not enough snow - a
great many people at church - He is
better, still, not yet well enough to venture
out - to day he complained of a gouty pain
in his heel - he is pale, requires, something,
to strengthen him - dear Cato is again troubled
with a head-ache - I feel quite bad about it -
dear Billy is all right again - he has enjoyed
himself this afternoon - skating - the ice
is so beautiful a clear - our habitants -
have a fine road on the ice - where they
exercise their horses - among the number, there
are some very nice trotters - Jarnes
much the same - this is the finale of this
year - I feel thankful - for all graces & favours
obtained from Divine Providence - may I be
resigned in all a very thing - that is in
store for me - Que la volonté de Dieu
soit faite -

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